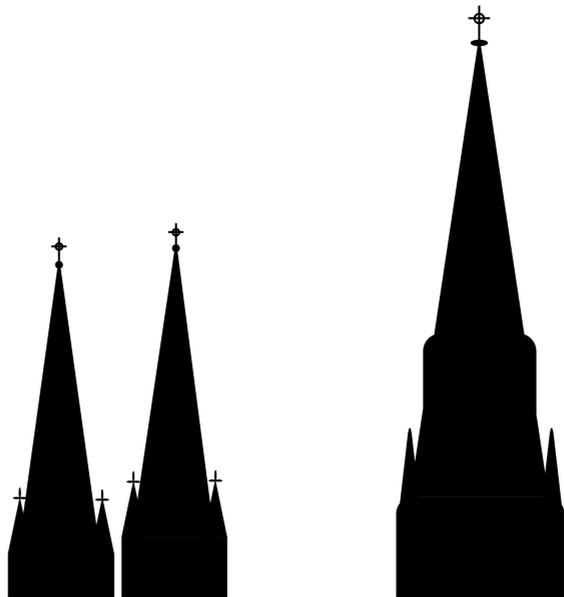


St Mary's Cathedral

Palmerston Place, Edinburgh



Easter V Cathedral Eucharist

15 May 2022
10.30am

Preacher: The Provost
Andrew Carter *Missa Sancti Pauli*

Welcome to St Mary's Cathedral

Today's services are sung by The Chapter House Singers

Our service, which is laid out in this booklet, is a **Eucharist**. Like Christians throughout the ages, we gather to reflect on scripture together, to pray for our world, and to share bread and wine as Christ's body and blood given for the life of all. All who wish to receive communion are welcome to do so. Please join in the words in bold in this service sheet. At various points in our liturgy it is our custom to stand or sit, but please do whatever is comfortable for you. There is a play area at the West End of the Cathedral, which families with young children are more than welcome to use.

Arrangements for Communion:

All who wish to receive communion are welcome to do so. If you would rather receive a blessing, then please indicate this by folding your hands across your chest when you go forward.

At communion, please wait until a steward indicates that there is room for you to approach the altar. Please keep a social distance from the person in front of you.

As you approach the altar, please sanitise your hands, using the hand gel on the table. Return to your seat via the side aisles.

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Resurrection Chapel after the service. You are welcome to stay in the chapel, or can take your tea/coffee to the Nave—whichever you are more comfortable with.

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We gather

Opening Hymn

**Christ is made the sure foundation,
And the precious corner-stone,
Who, the two walls underlying,
Bound in each, binds both in one,
Holy Sion's help for ever,
and our confidence alone.**

**All that dedicated city,
Dearly loved by God on high,
In exultant jubilation
Pours perpetual melody,
God the One, in Threefold glory,
Singing everlastingly.**

**To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With thy wonted loving-kindness,
Hear thy people as they pray;
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls for ay.**

**Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
Gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
Here to have and hold for ever,
Those good things their prayers obtain,
And hereafter, in thy glory,
With thy blessèd ones to reign.**

**Laud and honour to the Father,
Laud and honour to the Son,
Laud and honour to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
One in love, and One in splendour,
While unending ages run. Amen.**

Welcome

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

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

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.**

Confession & 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.

Silence

**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 us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria *(sung by the choir)*

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God,
heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you
thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on
us; you are seated on the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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.*

Collect

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.

We listen for God's Word

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.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 148 *(sung by the choir)*

Alleluia! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host!
Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord ; He made them stand fast for ever
and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.

Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will;
Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
Wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds!
Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;
Young men and women alike, old and young together!
Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted;
His splendour is over earth and heaven.
Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal
servants, the children of Israel, a people who are hear him.
Alleluia!
Praise, O praise the name of the Lord.

Reading Revelations 21.1-6

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the
first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy
city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared
as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the
throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will
dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be
with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no
more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things
have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all
things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are
trustworthy and true.'

Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the

beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

**A brighter dawn is breaking,
And earth with praise is waking;
For thou, O King most highest,
The power of death defiest;**

**And thou hast come victorious,
With risen Body glorious,
Who now for ever livest,
And life abundant givest.**

**O free the world from blindness,
And fill the world with kindness,
Give sinners resurrection,
Bring striving to perfection;**

**In sickness give us healing,
In doubt thy clear revealing,
That praise to thee be given
In earth as in thy heaven.**

Gospel John 13.31-35

When it is announced:

Glory to Christ our Saviour.

During the supper, 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.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

The Very Rev'd John Conway

We reflect together on what our readings reveal for us today.

We respond in faith and prayer

The Nicene Creed *which Christians have shared since 381 A.D.*

**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 human.
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

*Prayer is offered for the world and all its people,
particularly for those who suffer and those in need,
and for the Church.*

We share the Peace of Christ

Peace

We meet in Christ's name.

Let us share his peace.

You are invited to share a sign of peace with your neighbours

Offertory Hymn

**Jesus calls us here to meet him
As, through word and song and prayer,
We affirm God's promised presence
Where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
Praise the Son who calls us friends;
Praise the Spirit who, among us,
To our hopes and fears attends.**

**Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of life and Lord of all,
Sharer of our flesh and frailness,
Saving all we fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
Tell his tales that all may hear;
Tell the world that Christ in glory
Came to earth to meet us here.**

**Jesus calls us to each other,
Vastly different though we are;
Creed and colour, class and gender
Neither limit nor debar.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
Join the hands of age and youth;
Join the faithful and the doubter
In their common search for truth.**

**Jesus calls us to his table
Rooted firm in time and space,
Where the Church in earth and heaven
Finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
Share the love of which we sing;
Share the feast for saints and sinners
Hosted by our Lord and King.**

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We Celebrate Communion

Offering

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made:
it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation;
through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands:
it will become for us the cup of our salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Eucharistic 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus *(sung by the choir)*
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.

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 your Spirit's 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.

The Lord's Prayer *You are invited to say the prayer in the language or version with which you are most familiar.*

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.

Agnus Dei *(sung by the choir)*

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.

Sharing of Communion

Communion is shared at the Nave Altar. All who wish to receive, are warmly invited to do so. Alternatively, you are welcome to receive a blessing. If you need a gluten-free wafer please go to the Lectern (right hand side) and indicate that you require gluten-free.

Motet *Ola Gjeilo Ubi Caritas*

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

We give thanks and are sent out

Sentence

Give thanks to our gracious God,
whose mercy endures for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

**Father, we have broken the bread which is Christ's body,
we have poured out the wine of his new life.**

**We thank you for these gifts
by which we are made one in him
and drawn into that new creation
which is your will for all:
through him who died for us and rose again,
your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Notices

Closing Hymn

**I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast:'
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and 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
Of 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, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy 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 traveling days are done.**

Please turn to face the West End during the final verse

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.

Dismissal

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

Voluntary

Please join us for tea and coffee in the Resurrection Chapel (to the right of the choir) after the service. The Voluntary is an integral part of the service for many, so please be respectful of those who would like to sit and listen to it.

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