



THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.

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Welcome

Susan Haig

Opening Hymn: #486 (Common Praise) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" *Screen share*



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel-ling, joy of heaven to earth come down,
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; let us all thy grace re - ceive;
3. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be;



fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.
let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee,



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion; pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,



vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: William Penfro Rowlands (1860-1937)

✠ The Easter Greeting

Susan Haig

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

Priest: Jesus is the vine, we are the branches.

People: **May we bear much fruit as his disciples.**

The Gloria

Screen share

The Collect of the Day

Susan Haig

Priest: 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.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Dennis Duffy

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Then 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 the 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.

Acts 8.26-40

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Refrain

My praise is of you in the great assembly;
 I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.
 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
 and those who seek you shall praise you: "May your heart live for ever!"
 O God, all the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you,
 and all the families of the nations shall bow before you. **Refrain**

For sovereignty belongs to you, O God;
 you rule over the nations.
 To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;
 all who go down to the dust fall before you. **Refrain**

My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you;
 they shall be known as yours for ever.
 They shall come and make know to a people yet unborn
 the saving deeds that you have done. **Refrain**

Second Reading*Mary Horan*

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of John.

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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

1 John 4.7-21

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Song: “I Am the Vine” (*John Bell*)

Screen share

I am the vine and you the branches, pruned and pre -
pared for all - to see; chosen to bear the fruit of
heaven if you remain and trust in me.

The Gospel

Ann Jervis

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

“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.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

John 15.1-8

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Ann Jervis

A moment of silence is observed.

Meditation: “The Kingdom (Excerpt)” (*Edward Elgar*)

Screen share

Peter - Give thanks first for the Cup;

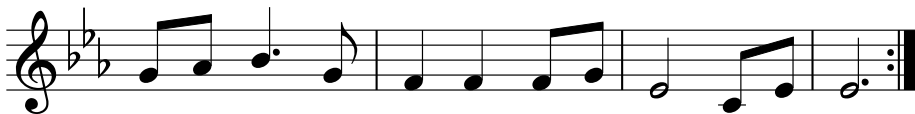
Chorus - We thank Thee, our Father, for the Holy Vine.

Peter - Give thanks for the Broken Bread;

Chorus - We thank Thee, our Father, for the life and knowledge.

Mary, Mary Magdalen, John, and Peter - As this Broken Bread was grain scattered upon the mountains,

Chorus - As this Broken Bread was grain scattered upon the mountains, and gathered together became one, so may Thy Church be gathered together from the bounds of the earth into Thy Kingdom.

Refrain

God is love, and all who live in love, live in God.

Verse 1

1. God is light, in God there is no dark-ness. Come live in the love of the Lord.

Verse 2

2. Come to the Lord, re - ceive the light, and live in the love of the Lord.

Verse 3

3. We are called to be God's own chil-dren, to live in the love of the Lord.

Verse 4

4. All of you are one, u - nit-ed in Je-sus, to live in the love of the Lord.

Text: 1 John 1:5, 3:2, 4:15, Psalm 33:6, Galatians 3:28; David Haas (1957-). Tune: David Haas (1957-). © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

The Prayers of the People

Paul Pynkoski

Leader: Let us pray to God, in whom we live and move and have our being.
 Holy One, we want to produce good fruit in abundance;
 nurture us as branches of the true vine,
 train and prune us where necessary,
 and may our spiritual harvest make rich wine,
 wine of your kingdom.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Let your kingdom come:

All: **May your will be done.**

Leader: God, clearly we see around our world
the tragic and expensive consequences
of branches cut off from the true vine.
We pray for a seeking after your truth
and a desire to act rightly and justly
in all areas of human society.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Let your kingdom come:

All: **May your will be done.**

Leader: God, we pray for those to whom we are linked
by family, friendships or work;
especially we pray for those
separated from their loved ones or their home.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Let your kingdom come:

All: **May your will be done.**

Leader: God, we long for healing and wholeness
in all who suffer
and in all dysfunctional communities;
guide us to understand
how we might be a part of the healing.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Let your kingdom come:

All: **May your will be done.**

Leader: Father we know that death
cannot separate us from your love;
in that knowledge we commend to your keeping
those who have died and all who miss them.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Leader: Let your kingdom come:

All: **May your will be done.**

Leader: God, we thank you that we can live
 in the joyful freedom of your love,
 as we dedicate ourselves to serving others.
 Merciful Father,
 accept these prayers
 for the sake of your Son, our Shepherd and
 our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Susan Haig

Priest: All:

The first line of musical notation is split into two parts. The 'Priest' part consists of a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. The 'All' part continues with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a melody of quarter notes: E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3.

As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal-losed be your name,

The second line of musical notation is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3.

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.

The third line of musical notation is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins

The fourth line of musical notation is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3.

as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.

The fifth line of musical notation is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3.

Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

The sixth line of musical notation is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3. The line ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A - men.

The Doxology

Susan Haig

Priest: Glory to God,

All: **whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn: #562 (Gather) "Halleluya! We Sing Your Praises"

Screen share

Refrain



Hal-le - lu-ya! We sing your prais-es, all our hearts are filled with glad-ness. Hal-le-



lu-ya! We sing your prais-es, all our hearts are filled with glad-ness.

Verses:



1. Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, I am
2. Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in



wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun-ger.
faith, free of doubt, to pro-claim the joy - ful Gos-pel.

The Blessing

Susan Haig

Priest: May the God of new life,
abide in you,
that you may bear fruit in the world.
And may the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier
be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: **Amen.**

The Dismissal

Susan Haig

Priest: Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

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Ministry Updates

Compline at 8 PM

Compline is a Christian tradition of bedtime prayers. These traditional prayers unveil God's grace in all of our endings - the day's end, the week's end, and our last nightfall.

Join in through Zoom at 8 PM each Sunday night for about 20 minutes. The link can be found in each Friday's eNews.

Celebrating Julian of Norwich

On May 8, 1373, in the bustling English city of Norwich, a woman called Julian had a near-death experience. She went on to relate her visions in the first book written in English by a woman. She insisted that everything she wrote was faithful to tradition, but her thought was original and profound: a vision of God in whom there is no room for wrath,

but only boundless love and compassion for the suffering of humanity. Who is both Father and Mother of Creation. And who somehow, by a miracle beyond our ability to grasp, will eventually accomplish the salvation of every living being.

Learning@Redeemer invites you to observe the anniversary of Julian's vision on Saturday, May 8, at 4PM. Medievalist David Townsend will provide a short introduction to Julian's life and thought. A team of eight readers will bring excerpts from her book to life. After the reading we will have 20 minutes of conversation, reflecting together on we've heard, facilitated by pastoral theologian Elaine Ramshaw. Please register by clicking [here](#). You will then receive a Zoom link the day before the event.

Voices For Peace

Voices for Peace explores the radical Christian praxis of peace and non-violence. Redeemer, along with Citizens for Public Justice, the Henri Nouwen Society, the Basilian Centre for Peace and Justice, and the Canadian Council of Churches, sponsors the conference.

This year, in lieu of a residential conference, so we are hosting three webinars with the theme Radical Hope: Radical Resistance. Our speakers will explore the connections of peacemaking to ecology, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and opposition to nuclear weapons development.

June 16, 7 PM: Terry Leblanc. "Retelling our Theological Narrative." (Reconciliation)

September 16, 7 PM: John Dear. Title TBA (Nuclear disarmament)

Tickets are \$15 + tax/event. Registration for the June event will be available in the future.

Vaccinations

If you would like assistance, or know of anyone in our community who would benefit from assistance, registering for a vaccination or travelling to and from their appointment, the Pastoral Care Team is here to help. Please contact Susan at shaig@theredeemer.ca.

Pastoral Care Team Checking In

The Pastoral Care Team and its volunteers have been calling and continue to call, members of the Redeemer Community to check in with them regarding how they are doing during this pandemic.

Due to the ongoing isolation and disconnectedness, if you know of anyone who would benefit from a call from our Pastoral Care Team, that has not been receiving a call, please contact Tony Crosbie at tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca.

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern in chat. If you have people or situations that you would like included in the service but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a prayer request form on the website. These will be added to the intercessions in the appropriate petition. You can find the form [here](#).

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available [online](#). This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

Future Ministry Updates

For all future announcement or ministry updates, please email twilliams@theredeemer.ca by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.
