CHURCH of the INCARNATION

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2020
Traditional Service
The Holy Communion

Organ Voluntary
Andante, from Symphonie I

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

The Entrance Rite

Introit: Jubilate Deo
O be joyful in God, all ye lands, alleluia; sing praises unto the honour of his Name, alleluia: make his praise to be exceeding glorious, alleluia. Ps. Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works, O Lord: through the greatness of thy power.

Hymn 492
Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

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The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant  Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People       The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity.

Kyrie

Gloria in excelsis

Priest

People

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 be-gotten 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 a-
The Collect

Celebrant  The Lord be with you.
People      And with thy spirit.
Celebrant  Let us pray.

A **LMIGHTY GOD**, who showest to them that are in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ’s Religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*
The Lessons
The Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 45:3–10

And Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph; is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. So Joseph said to his brothers, “Come near to me, I pray you.” And they came near. And he said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; and he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Make haste and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry; you shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, and your flocks, your herds, and all that you have.’”

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 57 (sung by all)

Be merciful unto me O God be merciful unto me; for my soul trusteth in thee; and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.
I will call unto the Most High God, even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.
He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.
God shall send forth his mercy and truth: my soul is among lions;
And I lie even among the children of men that are set on fire, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.
Set up thyself O God above the heavens; and thy glory above all the earth.
They have laid a net for my feet and pressed down my soul; they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.
My heart is fixed O God my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise.
Awake up my glory; awake lute and harp:
I myself will awake right early.
I will give thanks unto thee O Lord among the peoples; and I will sing unto thee among the nations.
For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.
Set up thyself O God above the heavens; and thy glory above all the earth.
Beloved, I beseech you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh that wage war against your soul. Maintain good conduct among the Gentiles, so that in case they speak against you as wrongdoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God. Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

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Hymn 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for
2 I come with Christians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord, His
5 Togetherness met, together bound, we'll

1 given, loved, and free, in awe and wonder
2 find, as all are fed, the new communion
3 proud division ends. That love that made us
4 presence, always near, is in such friendship
5 go our different ways, and as his people

1 to recall his life laid down for me.
2 ty of love in Christ's communion bread.
3 makes us one, and strangers now are friends.
4 better known: we see, and praise him here.
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.
The Gospel: John 16:16–22

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

**People** Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, “A little while, and you will see me no more; again a little while, and you will see me.” Some of his disciples said to one another, “What is this that he says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’; and, ‘because I go to the Father’?” They said, “What does he mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what he means.” Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him; so he said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me’? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is in travail she has sorrow, because her hour has come; but when she is delivered of the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a child is born into the world. So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

**People** Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**Sermon**
Father John Sundara

**The Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, X and the life of the world to come. Amen.
**The Prayers of the People**

_The Minister says_
With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord.

*Each petition concludes*

**Minister** Let us pray to the Lord.

**People** Lord, have mercy.

*The prayers conclude in this way*

**Minister** In the communion of the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

**People** To thee, O Lord our God.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**Confession of Sin**

_The Minister says_
Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty God,

_All_
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Celebrant stands and gives the Absolution.*

**The Peace**

_Celebrant_ The peace of the Lord be always with you.

_People_ And with thy spirit.

*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Birthday Prayer**

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
Offertory
The Minister begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

Anthem
William Henry Harris (1883–1973)

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 illumining. 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 he become the place Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling. Amen.

Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?)

Doxology
The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus & Benedictus

The Celebrant continues

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The Canon of the Eucharist

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer on BCP page 334. The prayer concludes

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.
Communion Devotions

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

Celebrant and People say the Lord’s Prayer.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread and a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant  Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People     Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

People and Celebrant
We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant  The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Agnus Dei

For those watching at home who are unable to make their Communion today:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me;  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;  
O good Jesus, hear me;  
Within thy wounds hide me;  
Suffer me not to be separated from thee;  
From the malicious enemy defend me;  
In the hour of my death call me,  
And bid me come to thee.  
That with thy Saints I may praise thee  
For ever and ever. Amen.
Hymn 302
Father, we thank thee who hast planted

1 Father, we thank thee who hast planted thy holy Name within in our hearts. Knowledge and faith and life immortal Jesus thy guard it still, perfect it in thy love, unite it, cleansed and

2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mercy, save it from evil, Son to us imparts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure, formed unto thy will. As grain, once scattered on the hill-sides, didst give us food for all our days, giving in Christ the was in this broken bread made one, so from all lands thy

Bread eternal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.
Church be gathered into thy kingdom by thy Son.
Concluding Rites

Celebrant    Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,

Celebrant and People
we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Celebrant stands and gives the blessing.

Deacon     Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
People     Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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Hymn 432
O praise ye the Lord!

Laudate Dominum

Organ Voluntary
Carillon de Westminster

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This week’s readings may be found in the Book of Common Prayer, pg. 961, Week of 3 Easter.

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