



St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church
Keller, Texas

Service of the Word

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2020

Prelude

Hymn to Joy

Beethoven (1770-1827)

Opening Acclamation

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

People **The Lord is Risen Indeed. Alleluia.**

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, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Page 356, Book of Common Prayer

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 at 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 of the Day

Page 225, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Page 622, Book of Common Prayer

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.

2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.

5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O Lord, O God of truth.

15 My times are in your hand; *
rescue me from the hand of my enemies,
and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble,
and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel

John 10:1-14

Before the Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

After the Gospel

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, O Christ**

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Ron Pogue
Interim Rector

A period of silent reflection follows the Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Page 358, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant and People

**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:
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.**

Prayer for the Rector Search

Intercessor and People

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Martin's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People Form II

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The Intercessor says

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Scott, Rayford and Sam our Bishops; Ron, Ayo, Judy, Frank and Diana, our clergy; Liza our Children's Minister, Haleigh our Youth Minister, Jim our Assistant Music Director, Joe our Organist, Corrie our seminarian, and Paula our Candidate for Holy Orders; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

In our [Anglican Cycle of prayer](#) we pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

In our [Diocesan Cycle of Prayer](#) we pray for St. John in Brownwood, and St. John the Divine in Burkburnett.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries this week: Natalie, Toni, Alice, Virginia, Willy, Bill & Mev, Kevin & Karen

I ask your prayers for those on the parish prayer list for healing or support: Shawn, Mary Jane, Helen, Jenny, Molly, Ruthie, Fred, Margaret, Mary, Don, Ben, Ann, Suzette, Ernie, Jeanie, Bill, Mike, Alan, Laura, Kathy, Gayle, Shirley, Darrell, Nick, Judy, Sarah, Suzie, Susan, Jean, Tom, David, Georgia, Ian, Sissy, Kaye, Melissa, Paula, Erin and for all their family members and caregivers.

I ask your prayers for all whose lives are affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic, for healthcare personnel, for public health officials, and for scientists seeking solutions.

I ask your prayers for those who are traveling:

I bid your prayers for mothers and those who have had a maternal influence in the lives of others.

I ask your prayers for those with employment concerns: Rick, Jeff, Janet, Rebecca, Mark, Aaron, Leslie, Sarah, Collins, Chris, Jenny, Mary Beth, Ken, Brandon, Courtney and all those who are out of work at this time.

I ask your prayers for those in the military: Ethan, Devin, Jonathan, Colin, Rachel, Mark, Jeremy, Patrick, Rich, Meagan, Stephen, Sheena, James, Edward, Brandon, Scott, Jim, Paul, Dylan, Dustin, Jason, John, Deion, Tanner, Benjamin, Timian, Will, John, James, Chris, Kip, Steve, Alex, Christopher and all soldiers and civilians in harm's way.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Shelby.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Officiant may offer a concluding collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Offertory

Thou Art the Way, to Thee Alone

Hymnal 457

1 Thou art the Way: to thee alone
from sin and death we flee;
and he who would the Father seek,
must seek him, Lord, by thee.

2 Thou art the Truth: thy Word alone
true wisdom can impart;
thou only canst inform the mind,
and purify the heart.

3 Thou art the Life: the rending tomb
proclaims thy conquering arm,
and those who put their trust in thee
nor death nor hell shall harm.

4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life:
grant us that Way to know,
that Truth to keep, that Life to win,
whose joys eternal flow.

Words: George Washington Doane (1799-1859)

Music: *St. James*, Raphael Courteville (d. 1735)

Even though we are not able to meet together during this time, the work of the Church continues. Please mail your offering to St. Martin-in-the-Fields, 223 Pearson Lane, Keller, Texas 76248-5348, or contribute online at <https://www.stmartininthefields.org/give/>

Thanksgiving

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Celebrant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Blessing

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude *Hornpipe from "Water Music"* Handel (1685-1759)

Leaders in Today's Liturgy

The Very Reverend Ronald D. Pogue
Interim Rector

The Reverend Ayo Omoniyi
Deacon

Dr. Joseph Henry
Organist/Choirmaster

Deneise Wood
Worship Leader

Chuck Ambrose
Video Producer

Remember to join our Virtual Coffee Hour every Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

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