

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

APRIL 6, 2025 | 5:00 PM | THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Holy Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition

This liturgy is adapted from “A Celtic Liturgy for Every Season” by Elizabeth Grover.



PRELUDE

Slane

Lament for Owen Christie

The people's response is in bold.

OPENING WORDS

The God of love is with us.

The Spirit of love is in us.

Come, Lord Christ, come into our hearts.

Come, Lord Christ, and bring us your peace.

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

We will light a light in the name of the Maker

The God of wisdom and the Author of peace.

We will light a light in the name of Christ

Jesus whose life is peace.

We will light a light in the name of the Spirit

The Holy One who brings us peace.

A PENITENTIAL LITANY

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

His mercy endures for ever.

Christ who died for our sins, forgive the penitent.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ who shared our griefs, comfort the sorrowing.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ who thirsted on the cross, bring relief to the hungry.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ forsaken by all, be with the lonely and the sad.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ mocked and scorned, support the outcasts and rejected.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ who suffered great pain, be a strength to the weak.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ who died for us all, grant us your salvation.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ crucified, done to death, and buried, give us hope.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ who descended into hell, raise us to glory.

Lord, have mercy.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

His mercy endures for ever.

A PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray. God of all peace, whose Spirit fills our hearts, be with us as we seek to share your peace that surpasses human understanding, that those whom we encounter on this earthly journey may see in our lives the reflection of your love; in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

ISAIAH 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. Behold, I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Pray for a World

Ruth C. Duck

Pray for a world where every child
Finds welcome in a sheltered place,
Where love is tender, undefiled,
And firmness intertwines with grace.

Pray for a nation just and fair
That sees the welfare of us all,
Where leaders guide with prudent care
And nurture life for great and small.

Pray for a world where passion's fire
Burns not in force nor careless lust,
Where God's good gift of deep desire
Is safe in arms of faith and trust.

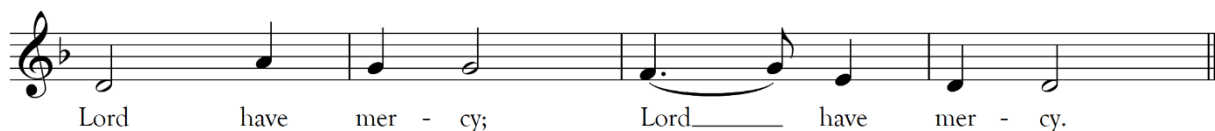
Pray for a world where all have voice
And none will batter, rape, abuse.
'Till then, may all have rightful choice
And pray for wisdom as they choose.

GOSPEL SONG

Kyrie from St. Anne's Mass

James MacMillan

Please stand. Sung when a musician is present



THE GOSPEL

JOHN 12:1-8

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She

bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

Please be seated. There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant We pray now for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that God offers comfort and peace to all creatures.

Intercessor We bless you and thank you, O God, for you have filled creation with the glory of life. For the light of the day and the darkness of night, for the sky, sea, and earth; and for the goodness that grows from the land, which nourishes us and brings us life.

People **We give thanks to you, O Lord**

Intercessor In remembering with thanks the times and places of plenty and well-being in our lives, we stand also in prayer with all who are denied these things, and we ask that all people not be forsaken in time of trouble.

People **Do not forsake us, O Lord.**

Intercessor Let the cry of the poor be heard, O God, in heaven and on earth; let the hungry be fed and the oppressed be set free.

People **Do not forsake us, O Lord.**

Intercessor Let those in our community who are sick or suffering know healing in body and soul.

Additional prayers may be added.

O God of all peace,

People **Do not forsake us, O Lord.**

Intercessor Welcome those who have died, comfort those who mourn them.

Additional prayers may be added.

O God of all hope,

People **Do not forsake us, O Lord.**

Intercessor Let nations at war cease their strife, neighbors in conflict stop their arguments, and loved ones find peace at home.

People **Do not forsake us, O Lord.**

Celebrant Look, Lord, on your children, who love your name and need your care and your comfort. Let our hands bear your love to the world that all may know your peace. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen**

SHARING THE PEACE

God makes peace within us.

Let us claim it.

God makes peace between us.

Let us share it.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Lord Lovat's Lament

We encourage you to give your offering electronically today through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system located here:

<https://redeemercincy.tpsdb.com/Give/offering> There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

In life and in death may we be an offering to you for ever. God from whom all life comes forth, here we gather again with bread and with wine, seeking your presence, and your peace, longing once more to be nourished. We hunger for wholeness in our lives, for unity on earth and for peace among the nations. And we know that only in your love can such peace and unity be found. So with all that we are and all that we have, we join with all of creation as we sing your praises:

The musical score is written on five staves in 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might - heaven and earth are full of your glor - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he, O bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The score ends with a double bar line.

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Blessed is your Son, Jesus, who came to heal and bring wholeness by the forgiveness of sins. In life and in death, he revealed your glory; in death and in life he awakens in us the hope that all powers of evil will fall and that your love will reign.

On the night before he suffered, Jesus took bread and, lifting it up and giving thanks to you, he blessed it, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying: "Take and eat this, for this is my body which is given for you." Then he took the cup, blessed the wine and gave it to them, saying: "Take and drink this, for this cup is my blood, which is shed for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you do these things, remember me."

And so, Lord, we offer to you these gifts. We pray now that your Holy Spirit sanctify this bread and this wine - and to make them be for us the food of heaven, the body and blood of our savior Jesus Christ.

Accept with them the sacrifice of our hearts that all who share in this bread and this cup may be blessed in your love and that through this love, we may be instruments of your peace. We pray this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Be what you see. Receive who you are, the Body of Christ.

THE SHARING OF A HOLY MEAL

THE DAWNING OF THE DAY

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

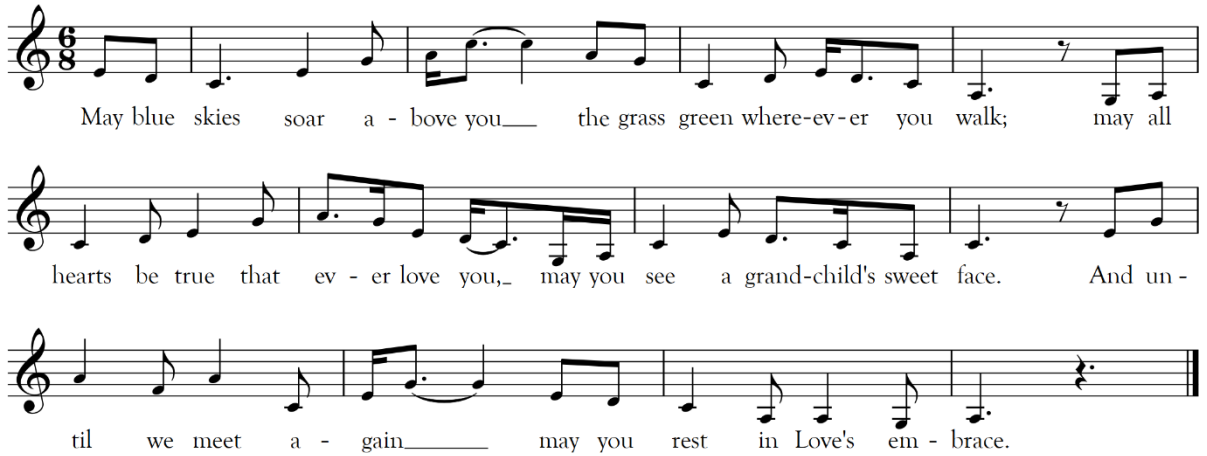
We give you thanks, O God, for calling us together this evening and for sustaining us with this holy meal. This place is sacred, this time is sacred, and in the sacredness we have shared a mystery. May we in every place and time recognize the sacredness of life and may we accept the mystery as we accept your love – with joyful faith and eternal hope; in Christ's name. Amen.

Lord of all light, as we go forth into the world, we extinguish the lights that here represent the presence of the Holy in our midst.

But we will carry the light in our hearts and we pray that as we go about our work in the world, we will shine with the love of God. Amen

CELTIC BENEDICTION

Sung when a musician is present



May blue skies soar a - bove you the grass green where-ev - er you walk; may all
hearts be true that ev - er love you, may you see a grand-child's sweet face. And un -
til we meet a - gain may you rest in Love's em - brace.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in 6/8 time. The first staff contains the lyrics 'May blue skies soar a - bove you the grass green where-ev - er you walk; may all'. The second staff contains 'hearts be true that ev - er love you, may you see a grand-child's sweet face. And un -'. The third staff contains 'til we meet a - gain may you rest in Love's em - brace.' The notation includes various note values, rests, and a final double bar line.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God; Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit,
be with you now and always. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN

"Jesus our Master"

Slane



1. Je - sus our Mas - ter, on the night that they
2. Still through the a - ges your new friends draw
3. When it is ov - er, and all gone a -



came, to take you to pri - son, to death and to
near, and know when they do so, that you will be
- way, come back to our thoughts for the rest of the



shame, you called to your ta - ble the friends that you
here; we know you are pres - ent, though just out of
day, and stay with us al - ways, who meet here to



knew, and asked them to do this in re - mem - brance of you.
view, to meet those who ga - ther in re - mem - brance of you.
do the things you com - man - ded in re - mem - brance of you.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY’S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Brooklin Taylor
Lector Nico Rumboll
Lay Reader Mark Sesler
Intercessor
Celtic Guild
Bread Guild Audrey Sesler
Altar Guild..... Andrea Rogers, John Morabito, Patricia Kovach, Julia Joyce
Flower Guild Francie Morrison, Edie Zimmerman

The flowers that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Katherine and Rachel by Betsy & Tom Schram.



VISION STATEMENT

We have a vision of a worshipping community
that **knows Jesus and grows in love:**

- **United** in relationships of holy connection and communion;
- **Growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion;
- **Inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us;
- **Sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

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