The Holy Eucharist – 5th Sunday of Easter (April 28, 2024)

Prelude

Opening Rites

Colossians 3:1 "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God."

Opening Hymn - #76 "We Praise Thee O God"

Verse 1

We praise Thee, O God! For the Son of Thy love, For Jesus who died and is now gone above.

Chorus

Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah! Amen. Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Revive us again.

Verse 2

We praise Thee, O God! For Thy Spirit of light, Who has shown us our Savior, And scattered our night.

Verse 3

All glory and praise To the Lamb that was slain, Who has borne all our sins, and has cleansed every stain.

Greeting

All standing, the 1st and 5th responses should be used, the others are optional.

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And also with you.
- V. I was glad when they said to me,
- R. "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- V. O come, let us sing to the Lord;
- R. Let us shout for joy to the Almighty Savior.

"我讚美天父"

- 1 我讚美天父, 差遣聖子降世, 就是耶穌替我死, 今復活升天。
- 和:福氣權能榮光歸主, 是我心所願, 福氣權能榮光歸主, 直直至永遠。
- 2 我讚美救主, 賞賜我保惠師, 就是真理的聖神, 要感化我心。
- 3 我讚美聖神, 助我靠主深信, 向前跑走不回頭, 到天堂我兜。

- V. God is spirit.
- R. Those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth.
- V. Praise be to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- R. And praise be to His kingdom now and forever.
- V. Alleluia. Christ is risen.
- R. The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant may say the following prayer or any other appropriate prayer

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*.

Song of Praise

When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing

Gloria S280 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

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

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.

Celebrant Please be **SEATED** for the reading of the lessons.

The Liturgy of the Word

The Lessons

The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying
The First and Second Readings from **Proverbs 12:17-22 & Hebrews 12:12-17.**

After each Reading, the Reader may say The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Anthem - "Prayer of St. Francis"

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, Thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith.

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there's despair, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love.

Oh, Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life, to eternal life.

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Amen.

Celebrant Let us all **RISE** for the proclamation of the Gospel.

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 14:23-27**. People Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

After the Gospel, the Reader says The Gospel of the Lord. People Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Sermon by Rev. Justin Fung

Celebrant Let us all **RISE** as we proclaim our faith using the Nicene Creed.

The Nicene Creed

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 men and for our salvation He came down from heaven: conceived by 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.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant Let us **KNEEL** and pray together the Prayers of the People.

- V. Father, we pray for Your holy catholic Church;
- R. That we may be one.
- V. Grant that every member of the Church (including SSP) may truly and humbly serve You;
- R. That Your Name may be glorified by all people.
- V. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
- R. That they may be faithful ministers of Your Word and Sacraments.
- V. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
- R. That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
- V. Give us grace to do Your will in all that we undertake;
- R. That our works may find favor in Your sight.
- V. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
- R. That they may be delivered from their distress.
- V. We praise You for Your saints who have entered into joy;
- R. May we also come to share in Your heavenly kingdom.
- V. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Moment of Silence

Closing Collect

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at His coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Confession

Hebrews 4 reminders that, "Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

The Deacon or Celebrant says In humility, let us humbly confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, we

pray You of Your mercy: forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

Prayer of Humble Access

Most merciful Lord, we do not trust in our own merits to come to Your table, but in Your boundless grace. You have invited us to come to the table of the Kingdom of Heaven. Help us to partake of the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that we may ever-more live in Him, and He in us. Amen.

Celebrant Let us all **RISE** for the Peace.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you."

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people exchange the peace of the Lord.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

"Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God." Ephesians 5:2

Hymn #194 - "Be Still, My Soul"

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on thy side; Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to order and provide; In every change He faithful will remain. Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heavenly, Friend Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul; thy God doth undertake To guide the future as He has the past. Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake; All now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below.

"我心恬靜"

- 1 我心恬靜,安穩住主翼下, 甘願背起悲傷痛苦十架, 照主所愛聽祂命令安排, 世事變遷,主信實永存在。 我心恬靜,經過荆棘路程, 有主引導我心會得安寧。
- 2 我心恬靜, 上帝引導保證, 過去供應將來也會帶領, 心存盼望堅固不可搖動, 一切奧秘, 時到就會看明。 我心恬靜, 雖然有大風浪, 聽主命令一切都會平靜。

Be still, my soul; the hour is hastening on When we shall be forever with the Lord, When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul; when change and tears are past, All safe and blessed we shall meet at last. Amen.

3 我心恬靜, 日子快快過去, 使命完成與主在天相見, 憂傷失志到尾都要過去, 無再傷悲, 滿心快樂得意。 我心恬靜, 無再啼哭分離, 快樂歡喜永遠與主居住。 阿們。

After the offerings are collected, the people sing

All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give You thanks, almighty and eternal Father, and on this night of our redemption to celebrate with joyful hearts the memory of Your wonderful works.

For by the mystery of His passion Jesus Christ, Your risen Son, has conquered the powers of death and hell and restored in men and women the image of Your glory. He has placed them once more in paradise and opened to them the gate of life eternal.

And so, in the joy of this Passover, earth and heaven resound with gladness. We join our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Celebrant and People
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High! Amen.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us in Your image, and, when we fell into sin and become subject to evil and death, You, in Your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, Your only and eternal Son, to share

our human nature, to live and die as one of us. He stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself, in obedience to Your will, a perfect sacrifice for all mankind, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and we offer You these gifts, recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension.

Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ. All honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

- V. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
- R. Let us rejoice and exult and give the glory to the Lord.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people with either of the following

Now to God who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Announcements

Closing Song

#201 - "He Keeps Me Singing"

Verse 1

There's within my heart a melody, Jesus whispers sweet and low; Fear not, I am with thee; peace be still, In all of life's ebb and flow.

Chorus

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Sweetest name I know, Fill my every longing, Keeps me singing as I go.

"在我心內有好聽聲調"

1 在我心內有好聽聲調, 耶穌的聲真美妙, 安心免驚我與你同在, 經過人生的苦海.

Verse 2

All my life was wrecked by sin and strife, Discord filled my heart with pain, Jesus swept across thee broken strings. Stirr'd the slumb'ring chords again.

Verse 3

Feasting on the riches of His grace Resting 'neath His shelt'ring wing, Always looking on His smiling face, That is why I shout and sing.

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

- 2 一生受罪纏絆很艱苦, 滿心憂傷行無路, 耶穌醫我破碎的心靈, 使我讚美不時停.
- 3 安穩於主翼下真自在, 享受主豐盛恩愛, 舉目仰望救主的笑容, 就會出大聲稱頌.