



# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## PRELUDE

Prelude on St Denio

R. Lau

## GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

## INTROIT

Christ Arose!

R. Lowery, arr. A. Hill

## CALL TO WORSHIP

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#289 Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

HYMN TO JOY

G G<sup>4</sup> G  $\frac{G}{D}$  D<sup>7</sup>  $\frac{G}{D}$   $\frac{D}{C}$   $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{D}{A}$  G  $\frac{G}{D}$  D

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heaven and voic - es raise:  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:  
 3 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Set your hearts on things a - bove;  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:

G C/G G7 G7/C C Cmaj7 Am/C G/D D7 G/D D7 G

sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;  
 see the an-cient powers of e-vil in con-fu-sion and re-treat;  
 there in all the Fa-ther's glo-ry lives and reigns our King of love;  
 Al-le-lu-ia to the Sav-ior who has gained the vic-to-ry;

D G/D D G/D D B/D# B7 Em A D

he who on the cross a vic-tim for the world's sal-va-tion bled—  
 once he died, and once was bur-ied: now he lives for-ev-er-more,  
 hear the word of peace he brings us, see his wound-ed hands and side!  
 Al-le-lu-ia to the Spir-it, fount of love and sanc-ti-ty!

G C/G G7 G7/C C Cmaj7 Am/C G/D D7 G/D D7 G

Je-sus Christ, the King of Glo-ry, now is ris-en from the dead.  
 Je-sus Christ, the world's Re-deem-er, whom we wor-ship and a-dore.  
 Now let ev-ery wrong be end-ed, ev-ery sin be cru-ci-fied.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia to the Tri-une Maj-es-ty!

WORDS: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); rev. vss. 2 & 3 Jubilate Hymns, 1982  
 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867)

HYMN TO JOY  
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### **\*INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Lord, we confess that your ways are so much more loving than our ways.  
We are aware that we are near-sighted and self-concerned.  
Forgive us Lord, when we create our own paths  
while missing out on your directions.  
Forgive us when we get angry at life's diversions  
when they might actually be your Spirit leading us beyond ourselves.  
Forgive us when we refuse to be sidetracked by your Spirit  
to touch the heart of another.  
Forgive us when we determine whom we will care for  
and whom we bypass.  
Forgive us when we resist your invitation to break out of our small circles  
into your much larger one.  
We confess that we are just learning what it means to truly surrender  
to the Holy Spirit's leading.  
Help us to lift our eyes to a farther horizon and a broader vision.  
We know that we will find you there.**

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### **\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and  
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

# FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:1-8

Pages 761-762, 1st half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

## RESPONSIVE PRAYER

One: It's me, oh Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**Many: Your arms of love encompass me.**

One: It's my neighbour, oh Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**Many: Your arms of love encompass my neighbour**

One: It's the stranger, oh Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**Many: Your arms of love encompass the stranger**

One: It's the whole world, oh Lord, standing in the need of prayer.

**All: Your arms of love encompass the world.**

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE

#492 Spirit of the Living God

IVERSON

1 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me;  
2 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, move a - mong us all;

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.  
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:

B $\flat$  F  $\frac{G7}{D}$  C  $\frac{C}{E}$

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
 hum - ble, car - ing, self - less, shar - ing.

F  $\frac{Gm7}{B\flat}$   $\frac{D}{A}$  Gm  $\frac{F}{C}$  C7 F

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.  
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fill our lives with love.

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## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### \*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#480 Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

A $\flat$   $\frac{E\flat 7}{B\flat}$  E $\flat 7$  A $\flat$

1 O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps - es of truth you have for me;  
 2 O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth you send so clear;  
 3 O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev - ery - where;

$\frac{C7}{G}$  Fm  $\frac{C7}{E}$  Fm C7 Fm Bb7 Bb  $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$  Bb7 Eb

place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-lock and set me free.  
 and while the mes-sage sounds in my ear, ev-ery-thing false will dis-ap-pear.  
 o - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare love with your chil-dren thus to share.

Ab  $\frac{Eb7}{Bb}$  Eb7 Ab

Si-lent-ly now, on bend-ed knee, read-y, I wait your will to see;

Ab  $\frac{Ab7}{C}$  Db Eb7  $\frac{Db}{Eb}$  Ab

o - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 o - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!  
 o - pen my heart, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!

WORDS and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott (1841-1897), alt.

OPEN MY EYES  
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## SECOND TESTAMENT READING

Acts 8:26-40

Pages 131-132, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

## SERMON

Rev. Dr. Allan Effa

# CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## Offertory

Meditation on Finding Hope

M. Logozar

## \*New Doxology

M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

## \*Prayer of Gratitude

## \*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#571 Christ, You Call Us All to Service

IN BABILONE

G  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  Em C6  $\frac{C}{D}$  D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am7 D  $\frac{G}{B}$  Em  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  D7 G

1 Christ, you call us all to serv-ice, call us all who fol - low you;  
2 Teach us how to work to - geth-er, broth-ers, sis - ters, side by side,  
3 Let us be a ser - vant peo-ple, re - con-cil - ing, end - ing strife,

G  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  Em C6  $\frac{C}{D}$  D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am7 D  $\frac{G}{B}$  Em  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  D7 G

plant in us a deep com-mit-ment all your work and will to do.  
e - qual part-ners in the strug-gle, in the cause of truth al - lied.  
seek - ing ways more just of shar - ing and of or - dering hu - man life.

Em Dm C  $\frac{Bdim}{D}$   $\frac{Am}{E}$  E Am D  $\frac{D}{C}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  Em  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G A7 D

Fire a pas-sion for your jus-tice, in us kin-dle love of peace;  
 To each one some gift is giv-en, man or wo-man, young or old;  
 Fill us with a glow-ing vi-sion of this world as it should be;

G  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$  Em C6  $\frac{C}{D}$  D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am7 D  $\frac{G}{B}$  Em  $\frac{D7}{A}$   $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  D7 G

help us heal the bro-ken-heart-ed, to the cap-tive bring re-lease.  
 help us use each skill and tal-ent your great pur-pose to un-fold.  
 send us forth to change that vi-sion in-to blest re-al-i-ty.

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 MUSIC: Dutch melody, 18th c.; arr. Julius Röntgen (1855-1933)  
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### \*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

### \*The Sending of the Community

### \*Congregational Amen

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

### POSTLUDE

Fanfare on "For All the Saints"

P. Fey



**\*Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:  
Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Cheryl & Gary Krueger;  
Prayers of the People - Jay Buhler;  
Scripture Reading - Alex Bayne, Esther Steeves;  
Guest Organist - Jane Fagnan;  
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

*As we attempt to provide comfortable spaces for all and we have some members who have  
severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes  
on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another.*

— FBC Council