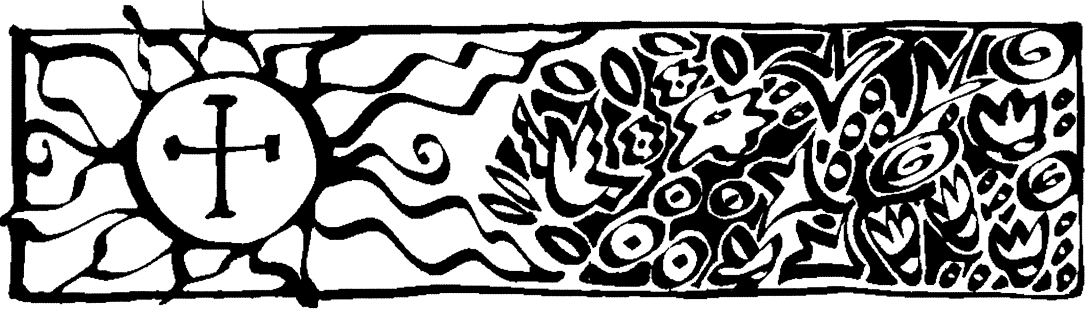




Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

May 18, 2025 3:00 p.m.

Fifth
Sunday of
Easter



PRELUDE

Ah, Holy Jesus

T. Chesterton

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

He Came Down

arr. J. Holstein

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#355 All Creatures of Our God and King
(verses 1-5 and 7)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

♩ Unison

1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your
2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that
3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic
4 Earth ev - er fer - tile, day by day un - fold your

Harmony

voic - es, let us sing: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
ride the heavens a - loft, O sing now, al - le - lu - ia!
for your Lord to hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
bless-ings on our way, O sing now, al - le - lu - ia!

Unison

Bright burn - ing sun and gold - en beams, pale
Fair ris - ing morn, with praise re - joice; stars
Fire, so in - tense and fierce - ly bright, you
All flowers and fruit that in you grow, God's

Harmony

sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, al - le -
night - ly shin - ing, find a voice, al - le -
give to us both warmth and light, al - le -
glo - ry let them al - so show: al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Unison

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 All you with mercy in your heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
alleluia, alleluia!
All you that pain and sorrow bear,
sing praise and cast on God your care:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

7 Let all things their creator bless,
and worship God in humbleness,
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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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 Jesus,
we confess that we have not loved you as you have loved us
and we have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.**

We love people like us. You love without regard to status or outward appearance.

We love our possessions. Your love meets material needs.

We love to be right. Your love imparts wisdom.

We love our comforts. Your love alleviates suffering.

We love to get our way. Your love sacrifices.

We love to judge others. Your love offers grace.

We love our rights. You gave up your rights and loved us unto death.

Jesus, too often our love is just desire.

Free us from our disordered desires. Teach us to love as you love.

(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.**

ANTHEM

O Love

E. Hagenberg

FIRST READING

Psalm 148

Read from the NRSV Bible

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

LITANY

One: Sun, moon and stars in the highest heavens,

Many: praise the Lord who made you.

One: Fire and hail, snow and rain, stormy wind,

Many: praise the Lord who commands you.

One: Animals, insects, birds of the air, denizens of the deep,

Many: praise the Lord who delights in you.

One: Mountains and hills, forests and plains,

Many: praise the Lord who sustains you.

One: All people, old and young,

Many: praise the Lord who walks among you.

**All: All creation, praise the Lord for his name is excellent
and his glory above all.**

*HYMN OF LOVE

#504 Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

CHEREPONI

Refrain *Unison*

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh-bours we have from you.

Last time

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2 Neigh - bours are rich and poor, var - ied in col - our and
 3 These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
 5 Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

To refrain

feet, mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 race, neigh - bours are near and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh - bours to us and you.
 slaves; this is the way we should live with you.
 feet; this is the way we should live with you.

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CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

The Gift of Love

GIFT OF LOVE

1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
 2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
 3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol,

and have the gift to all in - spire,
and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
our spir - its long to be made whole.

and have not love, my words are vain,
but not be given by love with - in,
Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;

as sound-ing brass, and hope - less gain.
the prof - it soon turns strange-ly thin.
by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

SECOND READING

John 13:31-35

Read from the NRSV Bible

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

SERMON

Rev. Craig Traynor

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Meditation

C. Callahan

***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**

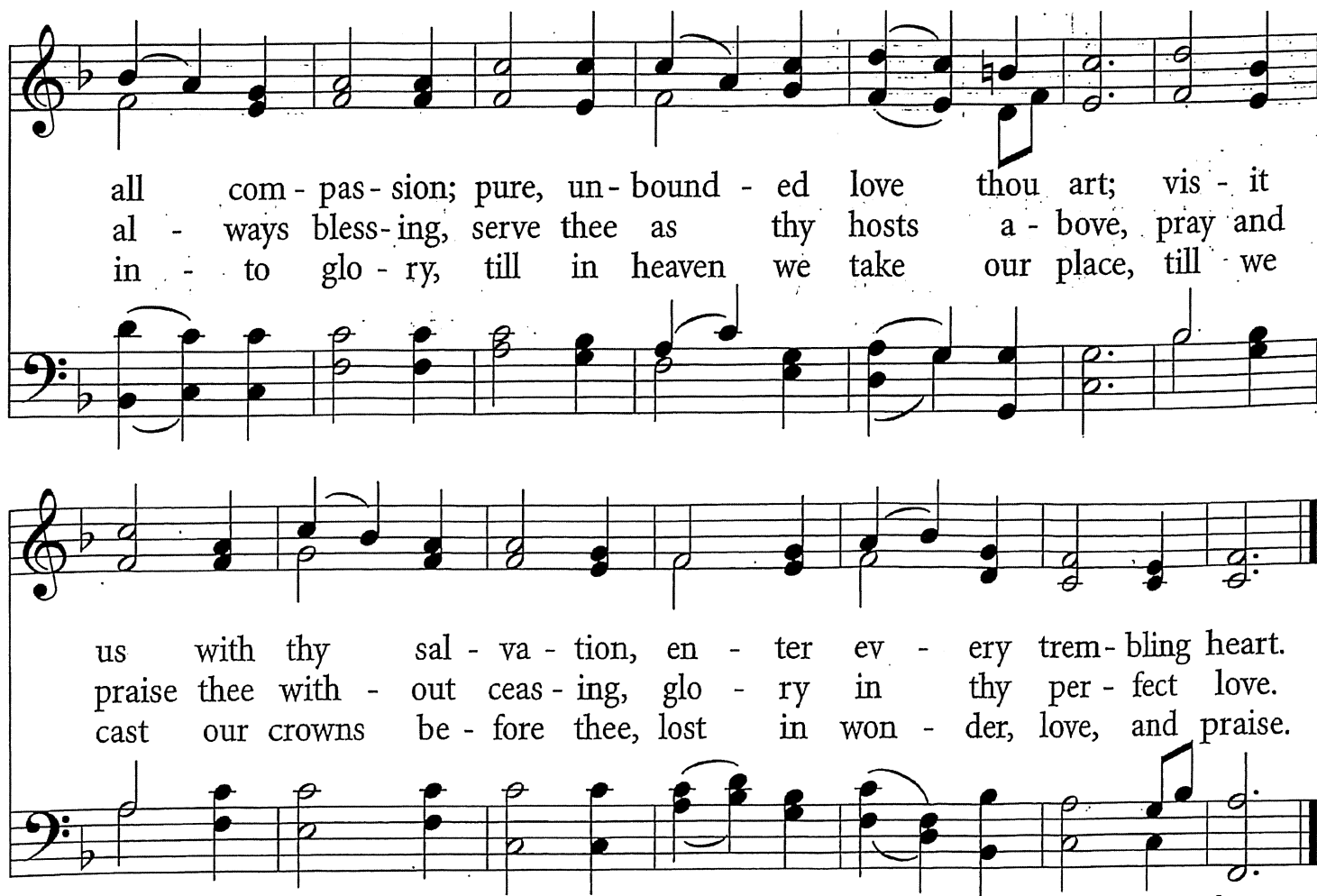
#486 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BLAENWERN

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, joy of heaven to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; let us all thy
3 Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing;
grace re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er,
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion

all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art
nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be
per - fect - ly re - stored in thee, changed from glo - ry



all com - pas - sion; pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it
 al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray and
 in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place, till we

us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

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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.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Be the Love of Christ

M.E. Showalter

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world – begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

D. Paxton

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Gordon Dinwoodie;
Writing Prayers of the People - Rev. Amanda Strain;
Scripture Reading - Jo-Ann Badley, Ken Badley;
Guest Organist - Jane Fagnan
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

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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