

Welcome to

ST PETER'S EASTERN HILL

Diocese of Melbourne - Anglican Church of Australia
Parish Church of the City since 1846



Russian Orthodox icon: *Jesus the True Vine*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

2ND MAY 2021 – LITURGY

Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Please stand for the beginning of the Mass. The people's responses are printed in bold.

Mass setting: Cristóbal de Morales (1500 – 1553): *Missa Mille Regretz*

Entrance hymn:

1. Jesus lives! Thy terrors now
Can, O Death, no more appal us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
Thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluya!

2. Jesus lives! henceforth is death
But the gate of life immortal;
This shall calm our trembling breath,
When we pass its gloomy portal.
Alleluya!

3. Jesus lives! for us he died;
Then, alone to Jesus living,
Pure in heart may we abide,
Glory to our Saviour giving.
Alleluya!

4. Jesus lives! our hearts know well
Nought from us his love shall sever;
Life, nor death, nor powers of hell
Tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluya!

5. Jesus lives! to him the throne
Over all the world is given;
May we go where he is gone,
Rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluya!

NEH 112

Text: Christian Gellert, 1715-69

Melody: ST ALBINUS

INTROIT

Antiphon: Spread the news with a voice of joy; let it be heard, alleluia; speak it out to the very ends of the earth; the Lord has liberated his people, alleluia, alleluia. Shout joyfully to God all the earth; sing a psalm to his name; praise him with magnificence. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit etc. **A.**

Celebrant:

In the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Christ is Risen! **He is risen indeed!**

The celebrant sprinkles the sanctuary party and the congregation with Holy Water.

Antiphon VIII

Cantor I saw wa - ter* flow - ing from the right side
All of the tem - ple, al - le - lu - ia:
it brought God's life and his sal - va - tion,
and the peo - ple sang in joy - ful praise: Al - le - lu - ia,
Fine Cantor al - le - lu - ia. Ps. O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:
All and his mer - cy en - dures for e - ver. *Cantor* Glo - ry to God,
All Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit: As in the be - gin - ning, so now:
All and for e - ver. A - men. *Repeat Antiphon: I saw wa - ter etc.*

The celebrant sings the collect for purity. Please kneel as the choir sings:

Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy
Christe eleison Christ have mercy
Kyrie eleison Lord have mercy

The deacon introduces the confession:

Merciful God: **Our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved**

you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the absolution. Please then stand for the Gloria:

Gloria in excelsis Deo
et in terra pax hominibus bonae
voluntatis. Laudamus te,
benedicimus te,
adoramus te,
glorificamus te
Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam
gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Iesu Christe,
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius
Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis;
qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe
deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus
Dominus, tu solus Altissimus,
Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu:
+ in gloria Dei Patris. Amen

*Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace to men of good will,
We praise you,
We bless you,
We adore you,
We glorify you.
We give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty
Father, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten
Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the
Father. You take away the Sins of the
world, have mercy on us,
You take away the Sins of the world, receive
our prayer
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
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.*

The celebrant chants the collect. Please then sit for the readings.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

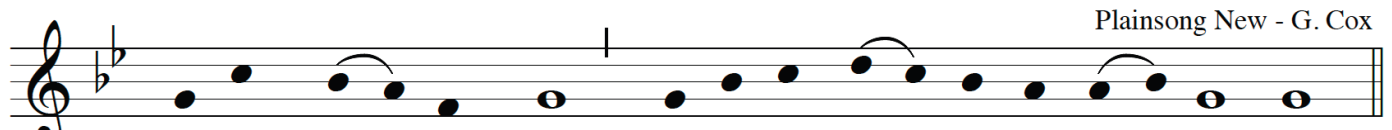
ACTS 9.26-31 *Read by Elizabeth Pemberton*

When Saul had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and described for them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who had spoken to him, and how in Damascus Saul had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus. So Saul went in and out among them in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. He spoke and argued with the Hellenists; but they were attempting to kill him. When the believers learned of it, they brought Saul down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus. Meanwhile the church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was built up. Living in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22 *led by the cantor, please join in the refrain.*

Plainsong New - G. Cox



I will praise you, Lord, in the as - sem - bly of your peo - ple.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek him shall praise the Lord.

May your hearts live forever. **R.**

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.
To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R.**

I shall live for him and posterity will serve him.
Future generations will be told about the Lord,
and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that he has done it. **R.**

1 JOHN 3.18-24 *chanted by the sub-deacon*

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and God knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases God. And this is God's commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Please stand for the Gospel

LESSER ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. The right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me.

GREATER ALLELUIA

Cantor:

Al - le - lu - ia.

All:

Al - le - lu - ia. _____

Deacon:

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 15.1 - 8)

+ Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Please be seated as the celebrant offers a prayer for the children's church.

Homily: Mthr Pirrial Clift.

Please stand for the Credo.

Celebrant *All*

We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the al - might - y,
mak - er of hea - ven and earth, of all that is,
seen and un - seen. We be - lieve in

one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God,
e - ter - nal - ly be - got - ten of the Fa - ther,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
be - got - ten, not made, of one be - ing with the Fa - ther;
through him all things were made. For us and for
our sal - va - tion he came down from hea - ven,
and was in - car - nate of the ho - ly Spi - rit
and the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and be - came tru - ly hu - man.
For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;
he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain
in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he as - cend - ed in - to hea - ven
and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a - gain in glo - ry

to judge the liv - ing and the dead and his king - dom will have no end.

We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life,

who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son, who with the Fa - ther and the

Son is wor - shipped and glo - ri - fied, who has spok - en through the pro - phets.

We be - lieve in one, ho - ly, cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church.

We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism for the for - give - ness of sins.

We look for the re - sur - rect - ion of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. A - -

- - - - - men.

Please kneel for the Prayers of the People, led by Di Clark. After each petition:
 Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

And at the end:
 Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord
And let light + perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant:
 Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers.
Grant that what we have asked in faith we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please stand for the Greeting of Peace.

Celebrant:

We are the body of Christ. **His Spirit is with us.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

O nations, bless the Lord our God, let the voice of his praises resound; he has restored my soul to life and he has not suffered my feet to stumble; blessed be the Lord who has neither rejected my prayer nor turned his mercy away from me, alleluia.

There will be no collection during the offertory, but a retiring collection will be taken after Mass.

1. Alleluya, sing to Jesus,
His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluya, his the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation,
Hath redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluya, not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluya, he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

3. Alleluya, Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluya, here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

4. Alleluya, King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluya, born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic Feast.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Celebrant:

Blessed are you, Lord God . . . **Blessed be God forever.**

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Church.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:

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 our thanks and praise.

Please kneel. The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Dominus Deus Sabaoth

Lord God of Hosts

Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory

Hosanna in excelsis.

Hosanna in the highest

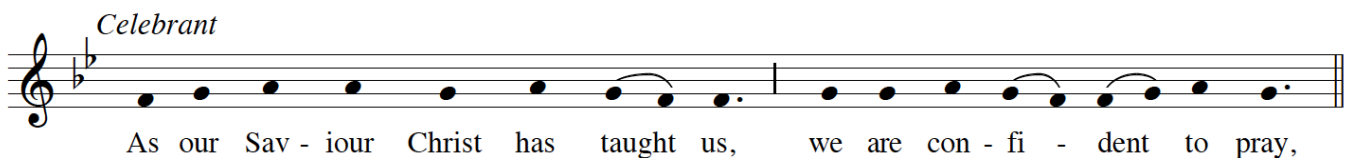
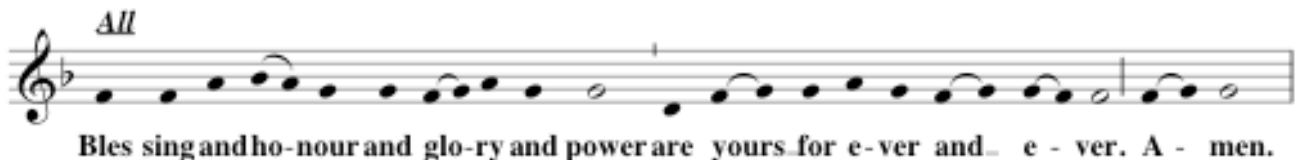
+ Benedictus qui venit in nomine domini. Hosanna in excelsis

+Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest

The celebrant continues the prayer, leading to: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith



The celebrant continues the prayer, ending with:



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name,
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.
 Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
 as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us
 from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
 For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours
 now and for ev - er. A - men.

Celebrant:

We who are many are one body. **For we all share in the one bread.**

All remaining kneeling as the choir sings:

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
 world: have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 miserere nobis.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
 world: have mercy on us.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
 dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the
 world: grant us peace.*

Celebrant:

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Communicant members of any Christian church are invited to receive the sacrament. All others are very welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Communion motet: Elizabeth Poston (1905 – 1987) Jesus Christ the Apple Tree.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord: whoever remains in me, and I in him bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

A time of silent prayer follows. Please then stand for the final hymn.

**1. Good Christian men, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King:
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluya!**

**2. The Lord of Life is risen for ay:
Bring flowers of song to strew his way;
Let all mankind rejoice and say:
Alleluya!**

**3. Praise we in songs of victory
That Love, that Life, which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluya!**

**4. Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluya!**

NEH 107

Text: Cyril Alington, 1872-1955

Melody: VULPIUS (GELOB'T SEI GOTT)

SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The celebrant sings the final prayer, leading to:

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The celebrant offers a blessing and the deacon dismisses the congregation:



Deacon
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.____

All
In the name of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.____

Please stand as the sanctuary party departs.

Recessional: K. Leighton (1929-88) Fantasy on 'St Columba'

If you are a new parishioner, or a visitor to St Peter's, please introduce yourself to the clergy at the door as you leave the church. All are welcome to the Parish Hall for refreshments after the Mass.