

Chelmsford Cathedral



**The Eucharist
on the Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday 2nd May 2021
at 10.30am**

*President: The Rev'd Jackie Dee-Thornton
Preacher: Canon Imogen Nay*

You are warmly welcomed to the Eucharist at Chelmsford Cathedral. Today is the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

Everything you need for this celebration is in this booklet. Please ensure that your mobile phone is switched off.

Hearing Aids: There is a loop system installed throughout the church. If you are a hearing aid user, please turn it to **T**.

Music: The music today is sung by members of the the Cathedral Choir, directed by James Davy, Organist and Master of the Choristers. The organist is Hilary Punnett, Assistant Organist and Director of the Girls' Choir. The mass setting is *Missa super Fa re ut fa sol la* by *Cristóbal de Morales (1500 – 1553)*. Please feel free to join in at home with the singing of the hymns.

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Receiving communion: You are invited to receive communion (in one kind – the bread) at your seat. Please hold out your hands to receive and the bread will be placed in your hands.

Gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to one of the stewards.

If the alarm sounds, please exit the Cathedral and, if safe, assemble at the rear of the Shire Hall in the South Eastern corner of the churchyard. Please leave your belongings until it is safe to collect them.

Rubrics: Please stand or sit as is comfortable for you.

If you would like to know more about the Christian faith and the life of the Christian community in this place please speak to Canon Imogen Nay, ring 01245 294486 or visit us at chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk.

Do join us for Zoom coffee after the service. Meeting ID: 894 9109 5348; passcode: 631194, (contact Yvonne Spence for more details).

Music before the Service

Trio

Anna Amalia of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel (1739 – 1807)

¶ **The Gathering**

Before the celebration begins, the congregation is welcomed.

Hymn (NEH 205)

We sit as the choir sings the hymn. Please feel free to join in at home.

Christ is made the sure foundation,
and the precious corner-stone,
who, the two walls underlying,
bound in each, binds both in one,
holy Sion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
dearly loved by God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the one, in threefold glory,
singing everlastingly.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy people as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls for ay.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
gifts of grace by prayer to gain;
here to have and hold for ever,
those good things their prayers obtain,
and hereafter, in thy glory,
with thy blessèd ones to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father,
laud and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever three and ever one,
one in love, and one in splendour,
while unending ages run.

Words: Latin, c 7th century, translated by J M Neale (1818 - 1866)
Tune: Westminster Abbey

Please stand

The Greeting

The President says

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all

All **and also with you.**

The Easter Acclamation

The President says

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**



Prayers of Penitence

The Deacon says

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

Silence is kept for a short while.

Like Mary at the empty tomb,
we fail to grasp the wonder of your presence.

Lord, have mercy:

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Like the disciples behind locked doors,
we are afraid to be seen as your followers.

Christ, have mercy:

All **Christ, have mercy.**

Like Thomas in the upper room,
we are slow to believe.

Lord, have mercy:

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The President says

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The choir sings

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 coelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine fili unigenite, Jesu 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, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, goodwill towards men. We praise thee. We bless thee. We worship thee. We glorify thee. We give thanks to thee for thy great glory. Lord God, Heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. Thou that takest away the sins of the world have mercy on us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world receive our prayer. Thou sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For thou only art holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only art the Most High, Jesus Christ. With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

The President says Let us pray. The congregation, still standing, remains for a short time in silent prayer, after which the President prays:

O God, you graft us on to Christ, the true vine,
and, with tireless care,
you nurture our growth in knowledge and reverence.
Tend the vineyard of your Church,
that in Christ each branch may bring forth
to the glory of your name
abundant fruits of faith and love.
Grant this through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, now and for ever.

All

Amen.

Please sit



The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

1 John 4 v 7 - 21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so

are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

All The Lord is my strength and my song
he has become my salvation.

Psalm 22 v 25 - 31

Please remain seated as the choir sings



From you comes my praise in the great congregation;
I will perform my vows
in the presence of those that fear you.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied;
those who seek the Lord shall praise him;
their hearts shall live for ever.

Response: Be not far from me O Lord.

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the Lord,
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
For the kingdom is the Lord's
and he rules over the nations.
How can those who sleep in the earth
bow down in worship,
or those who go down to the dust kneel before him
He has saved my life for himself;
my descendants shall serve him;
this shall be told of the Lord for generations to come.
They shall come and make known his salvation,
to a people yet unborn,
declaring that he, the Lord, has done it.

Response: Be not far from me O Lord.

Alleluia

Please stand as the choir sings

Choir: *f* *All: ff*

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Choir *Alleluia...*

*I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.*

Alleluia...

The Gospel Reading

John 15 v 1 - 8

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Choir

Organ: *All: f*

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. 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.

Choir

Organ: *All:* *Choir: f*

Praise to you, O Christ. Al - le -

4 *All: ff*

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Please sit

The Sermon

Canon Imogen Nay

Music after the Sermon

Diapason movement

John Stanley (1712 – 1786)

Please stand

Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The President says

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

Please sit or kneel. This response is used after each bidding

Lord of compassion,

All **In your mercy, hear us.**

After the final bidding the President says

Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love for the world
and the wonder of your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we serve,
to the glory of God the Father.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

The Peace

The President says

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,
'Peace be with you.' Then were they glad when they saw the Lord.
Alleluia.

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

The Deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace. *Please sit*

Offertory Hymn (NEH 374)

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole,
and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul,
and to the weary rest.

Dear name! the rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding-place,
my never-failing treasury filled
with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus! my shepherd, brother, friend,
my prophet, priest and King,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end,
accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart,
and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought.

'Till then I would thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of thy name
refresh my soul in death.

Words: John Newton (1725 - 1807)
Tune: St Peter

Prayer at the Preparation of the Altar

The President says

Be present, be present,
Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.

All **Amen.**

Please stand

The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you *R:* And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. *R:* We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *R:* It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
almighty and eternal Father,
and in these days of Easter
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,
while angels and archangels and the powers of all creation
sing for ever the hymn of your glory:

The choir sings the Sanctus and Benedictus

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

Accept our praises, heavenly Father,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

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.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father,
we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

The Deacon says

Jesus Christ is Lord:

All **Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.**

Accept through him, our great high priest,
this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts
in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit,
inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Please sit or kneel

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation,
as our Saviour taught us, so we 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The President breaks the consecrated bread saying

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The choir sings Agnus Dei, during which the bread is broken

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

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.*

The Giving of Communion

The President says

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The body of Christ. The blood of Christ.

Those in the Cathedral receive communion (from their seats). Please indicate if you wish to receive Communion by holding out your hands. If you simply wish to receive a blessing, please keep your head bowed.

Spiritual Communion

If you are worshipping online, while the priest receives communion, you are invited to use this prayer of spiritual communion wherever you are.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have given me,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for me.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know you more clearly,
love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly,
day by day. Amen.

after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

Motet

During Communion the choir sings

O sacrum convivium, in quo Christus sumitur; recolitur memoria passionis ejus; mens impletur gratia; et futurae gloriae nobis pignus datur. Alleluia.

O sacred banquet, wherein Christ is received; the memorial of his passion is renewed; the soul is filled with grace; and a pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

Text: St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 – 1274)

Music: Giovanni Croce (1557 – 1609)

Prayer after Communion

The President says Let us pray. A moment of silence is kept. The President then says the Post Communion Prayer

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life:
grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

All **You have opened to us the Scriptures, O Christ,
and you have made yourself known
in the breaking of the bread.
Abide with us, we pray,
that, blessed by your royal presence,
we may walk with you all the days of our life,
and at its end behold you
in the glory of the eternal Trinity,
one God for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please stand

¶ The Dismissal

The Blessing

The President blesses the people

God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

The Dismissal

The Deacon sings



Go in the peace of Christ. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - - - lu - ia._____
Thanks be to God. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - - - lu - ia._____

Please sit

Organ Voluntary

Christ ist erstanden BWV 637

J S Bach (1685 – 1750)

You are most welcome to join us outside to sing a hymn together. Please follow the clergy and exit out of the North Door.

Hymn (NEH 408)

BLAENWERN

William Rowlands 1860-1937



Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee,
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Tune: Blaenwern

Music Notes

The music before the service is a Trio by Princess Anna Amalia of Prussia, who was a composer, harpsichordist and flautist. She was taught composition and music by Johann Kirnberger, who was himself a student of J S Bach, and she also collected numerous works by composers including Bach, Telemann, Handel, and others, which are now housed in Berlin.

The music after the sermon is by eighteenth-century English composer John Stanley, who studied under Maurice Green at St Paul's Cathedral, and earned great success in his career despite an accident as a young child which left him nearly blind. This is a short movement from a larger work for organ.

After the service we will hear a short set of variations by J S Bach on 'Christ ist erstanden', which translates as 'Christ is risen', and was a popular German Easter hymn.

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7.45am: Morning Prayer

8.45am: Breakfast with the Bible

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10.30am: Eucharist

11.30am: Zoom Coffee

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3.30pm: Evensong

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