

ANGLICAN-EPISCOPAL CHAPLAINCY OF ST NICHOLAS, HELSINKI

A diverse and inclusive community of Word and Sacrament
Sung Eucharist, Second Sunday of Easter, 11th April 2021

THE GATHERING

Let us proceed in peace. Alleluia, Alleuia, Alleluia!
In the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

HYMN: Christ the Lord is Risen Again

STAND

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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Like new born infants, alleluia! long for the pure spiritual milk, alleluia!
that by it you may grow into salvation, alleluia, alleluia! (*1 Peter 2.2*)

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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.

Prayers of Penitence


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

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The President declares absolution.


Kyrie 
Lord, have mer - cy;



Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy;




Christ, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - - - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria 
Glo - ry to God in the




high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God,



heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God, and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus

Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

A - - - men.

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding. The Collect is said.

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth, through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD
SIT

FIRST READING:
Acts 4.32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed

private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 133

Refrain (+): How good and pleasant it is to dwell together in unity.

How good and pleasant it is to dwell together in unity.

1 Behold how good and pleasant it is to dwell together in unity.

2 It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down upon the beard,

3 Even on Aaron's beard, running down upon the collar of his clothing. +

4 It is like the dew of Hermon running down upon the hills of Zion.

5 For there the Lord has promised his blessing: even life for evermore. +

**EPISTLE:
1 John 1.1-2.2**

A reading from the first epistle of St John

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns

STAND

**GOSPEL:
John 20.19-end**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Peace I leave with you, says the Lord, my peace I give to you. (*John 20.19-20*)

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

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STAND

**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 and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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]**,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.

**For ecumenical reasons, and according to the Anglican – Oriental Orthodox Agreement, Filioque can be omitted.*

Prayers of Intercession

The response to the petition
Lord, in your mercy is
hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:
Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT STAND

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.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table

OFFERTORY HYMN: Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing
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During this hymn, a collection is taken to support the continuing mission of the Chaplaincy. The

Chaplaincy does not benefit from 'church tax'.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, in baptism you give us your Spirit of forgiveness and peace: by this sacrament of unity, grant us to know your victory over sin and death; for you are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



And_ al - so 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 thanks_ and praise_____

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond:



Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The president recalls the Last Supper, and the following acclamation is used

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly, either:

Amen.

Or:

...in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power

be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

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.

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

Though we are many, we are one body,

because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have
mer - cy on us. Je - sus bear-er of our sins: have
mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er of the
world: grant us your peace.

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion:

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The president and people receive communion. The Church of England invites to Holy Communion all baptised persons who are communicant members of other Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and who are in good standing in their own Church. Those who are prevented by conscience or the rules of their own Churches from receiving the Blessed Sacrament are invited to receive a blessing. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN: At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
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SIT

Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation the one who believes and is baptized will be saved, alleluia! (Mark 16.15-16)

Silence is kept.

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

STAND

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies**

to be a living sacrifice.

**Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work
to your praise and glory. Amen.**

**THE DISMISSAL
Blessing**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Some brief announcements may be made by the president

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: Rejoice, Angelic Choirs, Rejoice

STAND

The ministers and people depart.

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