

ST NICHOLAS' ANGLICAN CHURCH, HELSINKI

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Sung Eucharist, Third Sunday of Easter, 18th April 2021

THE GATHERING

I was glad when they said to me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord!' (*Psalm 122.1*)

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

HYMN: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

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!

Jesus came and stood among the disciples, alleluia! Then they rejoiced when they saw the Lord, alleluia, alleluia! (*John 20.19-20*)

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.

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained
by his risen life, and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ your Son 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 3.12-19

Read by Peter Joy

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 4

Sung by the Choir

- 1 Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness *
thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.
- 2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour *
and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?
- 3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly *
when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
- 4 Stand in awe, and sin not *
commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.
- 5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness *
and put your trust in the Lord.
- 6 There be many that say *
Who will shew us any good?

7 Lord, lift thou up *
the light of thy countenance upon us.
8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart *
since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.
9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest *
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Epistle: 1 John 3.1-7

Read by Katherine Roslof

A reading from the first epistle of St John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

STAND

Gospel: Luke 24.36-48

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, says the Lord, and no one shall take your joy from you. (*John 16.22*)

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that

repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

**Sermon
SIT**

**The Nicene Creed
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: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

STAND

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,
we believe you;
all we heard is true;
you break the bread: we recognise you;
you are the fire that burns within us: use us to light the world;
we ask this in your name. **Amen. Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you



And_ al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts.



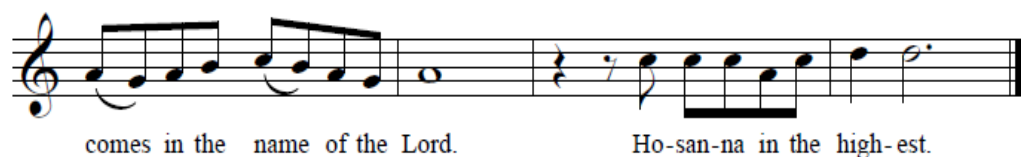
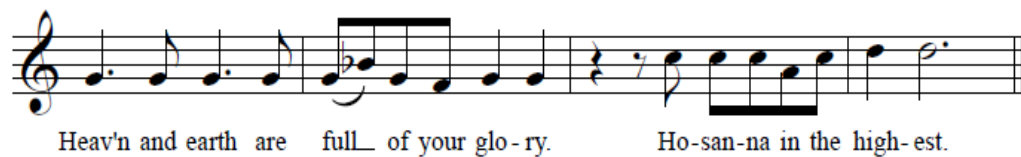
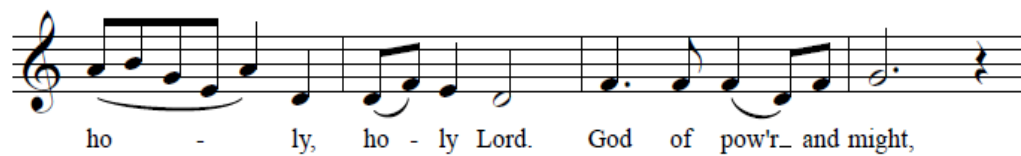
We lift_____ them to_____ the Lord_.

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:



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: 56 Author of life Divine

SIT

I am the living bread, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh, alleluia! (*John 6.51*)

Silence is kept.

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of the bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **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: Thine Be The Glory

STAND

The ministers and people depart.

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