

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2009

Celebrant: The Reverend Janet Fullmer
Deacon: The Reverend Stephen Schafroth

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The Dalles, Oregon

Prelude

The Word of God

Opening Hymn

Love divine all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down Hymnal 657

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven to earth come down; Fix in us thy humble dwelling; All thy faithful mercies crown! Jesus, 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 that second rest. Take away our bent to 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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Song of praise

Glory to God in the highest

Hymnal S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. 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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the

Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98 Page 727 BCP

- 1 **S**ing to the LORD a new song, *for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; *his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *and the peoples with equity.

Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Sequence Hymn

Ubi Caritas et amor

WLP 831

Ubi caritas, et amor, ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

Deacon
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you

servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon
Silence

The Reverend Janet Fullmer

The Nicene Creed

BCP 355

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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

The Prayers of the People

In this glorious Easter season, we rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ and proclaim the wondrous acts our God has done.

We are an Easter people. Alleluia is our song!

Let us pray for the Church. We pray for our sisters and brothers in South Africa and all of the Anglican Communion. We pray for the Diocese of Eastern Oregon, all who share our ministry in this diocese. We pray for Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, and the churches of other denominations with whom we share ministry in this town and county. May we grow together as the Body of Christ, and proclaim in unity the Good News.

Lord, you are the way, the truth and the life. Give us the grace to reflect you by word and example.

At this time of hope and promise for our parish and our diocese, we pray for Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Nedi, our Bishop; Janet, our Rector; Stephen, our Deacon. And we pray for our retired clergy, Rustin, John, Lewis, and Robert. We pray for Archbishop Desmond and Leah Tutu. We pray for the music ministers and choir of St. Paul's, especially for Rule Beasley our pianist; for Diane Adams, Anne Frazier and **McCauley**, John Langfeldt, Amy McIlvenna, Jan Newson, Julie Reynolds, Jane Schafroth, Robin Smith, Carolyn Thomas, Diane Walworth, Sam Woolsey, our choir members, and Lloyd Walworth, our music leader: we pray for the diverse ministries of all members of this congregation.

Christ, our guide, may we know our gifts and offer them to you for the fulfillment of the mission and ministry to which we are called.

Let us pray for our nation and for our leaders.

Christ, our hope, may our public and private wealth and privilege be used as a blessing to the world.

We pray for the whole world. God of creation, who created all people in your own image, give us eyes to behold the beauty of the wondrous and glorious diversity you have created. Give us hearts and minds to know and serve the common good.

Christ, our Redeemer, help us to strive for justice and peace among all people, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

We pray for the hungry, the homeless, the needy, those facing job insecurities or any personal difficulty.

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Christ the Good Shepherd, guide us to work with you in our community.

We pray for those who are ill, disabled, facing medical uncertainties, or in any need or trouble, that they may be made whole. We pray for caregivers needing strength, wisdom and encouragement. We remember especially those who trust us to pray for them.

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Christ the healer, be present with and through us, to those who need your comfort.

We pray for all feeling confined in any of numerous ways. Remove despair and infuse a sense of purpose and value.

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Christ the key holder, unlock the chains that bind us. Resurrect our spirits in your freedom to allow us to bloom even in a gutter.

This Sunday we ask your blessing upon all the members of this parish, and in our parish cycle of prayer, we pray especially for **___ Cycle**

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Lord of life, may we see and celebrate the sacred in each of our everyday lives.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. We pray for parents, spouses, children and loved ones of those in the service.

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Lord of all, grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.

We pray for all who seek God or a deeper knowledge of him.

Christ the seeker, we pray that all may find and be found by you.

We give thanks and pray for the lives those who have died. Comfort those who mourn.

People may add intercessions and petitions silently or aloud.

Risen Lord, be known to them in the new life of hope offered through your resurrection.

God whose spirit dwells equally in light and dark, suns and stars, day and night, life and death, you and I.

God bless us all – growing together in God's garden.

Lord of all, we praise you and thank you that through your glorious resurrection you redeem humankind and renew your whole creation. Grant that we who celebrate the joy of the Risen Christ be raised to new life in Him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

We are an Easter people. Alleluia is our song! Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements, Thanksgivings and Celebrations of Life

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Choir

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Eucharistic Prayer D

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

8:00 Said; 10:00 Sung, WLP 858:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all. When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with Paul and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

8:00-Said: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

10:00-Sung: **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Communion hymns: All who hunger gather gladly WLP761 Choir and Congregation
All who hunger, gather gladly, holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Jubilate Deo, Omnes terra; domine, .. Taize Booklet Choir and Congregation
Jubilate Deo, omnes terra; ... alleluia, alleluia, ..alleluia, alleluia,

Postcommunion Prayer.

Celebrant Please stand. Let us pray.

Celebrant and People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for**

ever. Amen.

Blessing May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**
May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ forever. **Amen.**
May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**
And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Closing Hymn *O Praise ye the Lord* Hymnal 432

Servers This Morning: Rector: The Rev. Janet Fullmer; Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Schafroth; Worship Leader: Eucharist Minister: Monte Dickinson; Lector:; Prayers of the People: ; Pianist: Rule Beasley; Altar Guild:; Acolyte: ; Altar Bread:; Greeter: ; Coffee Hour: Rogation Day Celebration and Ann and Bill Ketchum's home

*The flowers at the altar today are given by
Amy and Gavin McIlvenna*

CALENDAR:

Sun- Rogation Day Celebration at home of Ann and Bill Ketchum: 6260 Chenowith Road
Mon- AA "open" meeting 7 pm Tayler Hall
Tues- Bible Study 1 pm Library
Wed- AA "closed" meeting 7 pm Tayler Hall
Thurs- Healing service ~ noon

ANNOUNCEMENTS: