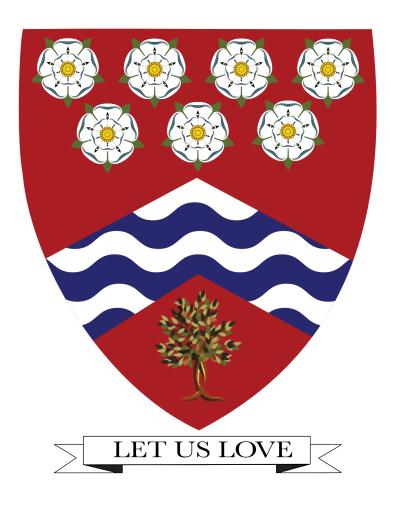
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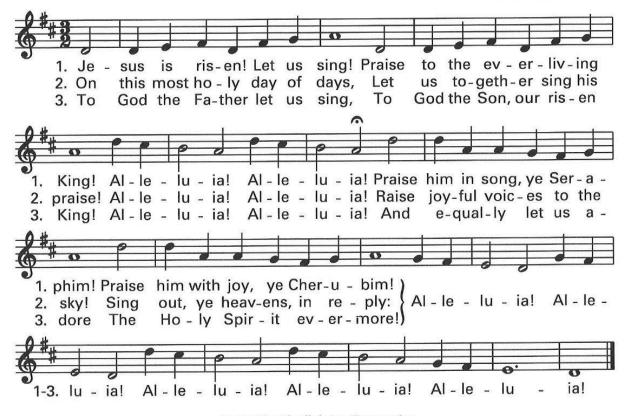


Fifth Sunday of Easter May 17-18, 2025

Entrance Hymn

JESUS IS RISEN

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



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Gloria



First Reading Acts 14:21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, They returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch.

They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God."

They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith.

Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia.

After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia.

From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished.

And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.

The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Let all your works give you thanks, O Lord, and let your faithful ones bless you.

Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, and your dominion endures through all generations.

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Second Reading Revelation 21:1-5a

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth.

The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God.

He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation



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Gospel John 13:31-33a, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him.

If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once.

My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

Preparation of the Gifts

The Risen Christ

Oh, the splendor of creation,
God's own hand and love's design.
We below in adoration
see the gifts of the divine:
mountains high and rushing waters,
all the beauty of the skies.
Yet more beautiful the glory
of the risen Christ.

Refrain:

We will see him lifted high, we will meet him in the sky. He will come and we will rise in the glory of the risen Christ.

Oh, the mystery of Calvary:
love laid bare upon the cross,
broken heart and wounds wide open,
mercy's way for all of us.
Nail and thorn could hold no power
over sinless sacrifice,
hope amid the darkest hour
of the risen Christ.

Oh, the wonder of our Savior:
stone rolled back with radiant light,
death destroyed by this redemption,
by the one who gave his life.
Now is heaven breaking open;
sinner, sing and saint, arise
into this eternal welcome
of the risen Christ.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosana in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosana, hosana in the highest.

Hosana, hosana in the highest.

When We Eat This Bread

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again, until you come again.

Great Amen

Amen, Amen, Amen. Amen, Amen.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Communion

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As I Have Done for You

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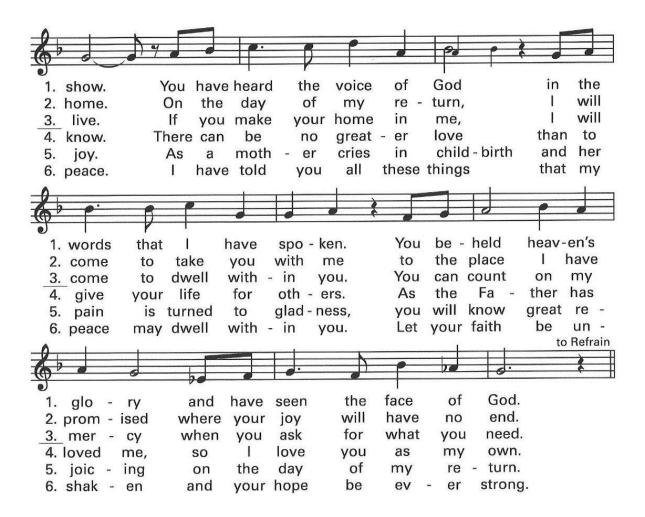
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As I HAVE DONE FOR YOU (CONT. 2)





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Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.



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Recessional

JOIN IN THE DANCE



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