



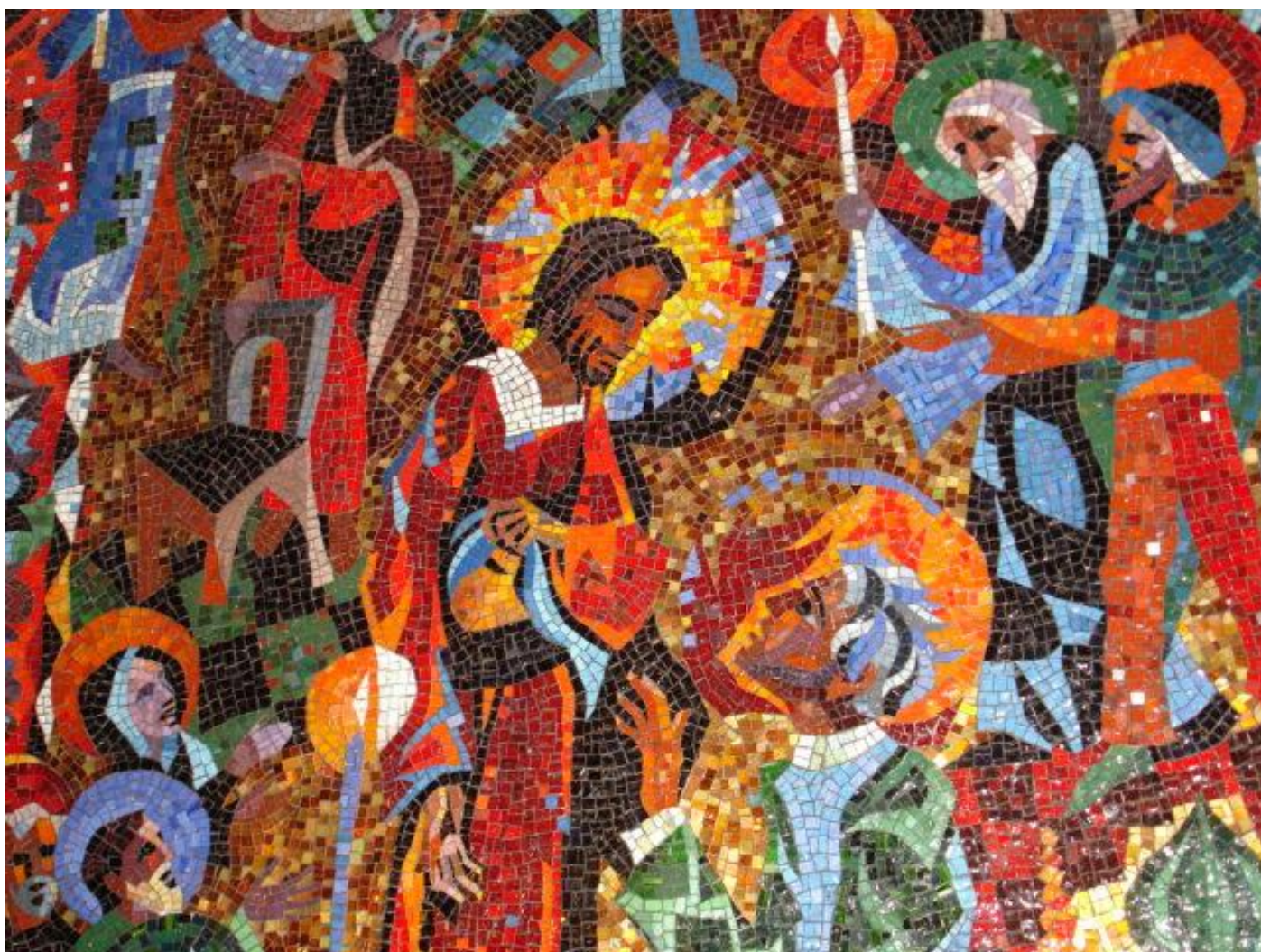
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH, GENEVA

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Holy Eucharist & Agape

(Gathered & Livestreamed)



*Christ shows Himself to Thomas*

Designed by Rowan and Irene LeCompte.

Detail of mosaic in Resurrection Chapel, Washington National Cathedral

## Hymn

## O praise ye the Lord

H.432

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,  
 \*3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;  
 each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;  
 to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,  
 praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,  
 loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,  
 For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
 praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
 and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150. Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918).

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## **Welcome**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

## **Gloria**

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.

## **The Collect**

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.

*If there is a Sunday school, the children are asked to come forward with their teachers for a blessing.*

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Lesson**

**Acts 7:55-60**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down

and cried out in a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Psalm**

**Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16**

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 **Incline your ear to me; \***  
**make haste to deliver me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 **Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \***  
**for you are my tower of strength.**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O LORD, O God of truth.
- 15 **My times are in your hand; \***  
**rescue me from the hand of my enemies,**  
**and from those who persecute me.**
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*  
and in your loving-kindness save me.

## **The Epistle**

**1 Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner”,

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



1 When Ste-phen, full of power and grace, went forth through-out the  
 2 When Ste-phen preached a - gainst the laws and by those laws was  
 3 When Ste-phen, young and doomed to die, fell crushed be - neath the  
 4 Let me, O Lord, thy cause de - fend, a knight with - out a



land, he bore no shield be - fore his face, no  
 tried, he had no friend to plead his cause, no  
 stones, he had no curse nor venge - ful cry for  
 sword; no shield I ask, no faith - ful friend, no



wea - pon in his hand; but on - ly in his  
 spokes - man at his side; but on - ly in his  
 those who broke his bones; but on - ly in his  
 venge - ance, no re - ward; but on - ly in my



heart a flame and on his lips a sword where -  
 heart a flame and on his eyes a light where -  
 heart a flame and on his lips a prayer that  
 heart a flame and in my soul a dream, so



with he smote and o - ver - came the foe-men of the Lord.  
 with God's day - break to pro - claim and rend the veils of night.  
 God, in sweet for - give-ness' name, should un - der-stand and spare.  
 that the stones of earth - ly shame a jew - eled crown may seem.

Words: Jan Struther (1901-1953), alt. By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Salvation*, melody from *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; harm. *Songs for Liturgy and More Hymns and Spiritual Songs*, 1971; alt. harm. Eugene W. Hancock (b. 1929).

## The Gospel

### John 14:1-14

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No

one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon

### The Nicene Creed

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 of the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.

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,  
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.

## The Prayers of the People

### The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
*Amen.*

### The Peace

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

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

## The Holy Communion

### Offertory Sentence

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name.

### Offertory Music

*Beati quorum via*

C. Stafford

### Doxology

*Please stand*

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:

### The Agape Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You create the fruit of the vine and bring forth food from the earth; bless this wine, bread, and fruit that we now share in our



homes and gather your Church in every place into the kingdom of your Son. To you be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human life, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night before he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your everlasting kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

*Silence*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

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.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

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.

*During the administration of Holy Communion, music will be played. You will be guided by the ushers to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Wine (red) is offered either from the chalice or by taking a small glass with red wine in it: Alternatively, you can take a small glass of white non-alcoholic wine.*

## **Communion Anthems**

*O taste and see*

R. Vaughan Williams

*He is the way*

W.H Auden / D. Hurd

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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.**

## **The Announcements**

### **The 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 with you now and always. Amen.

*Descant*

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 pours per - pect - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns c - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1856), alt. Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929). Descant by permission of Church Society, London.

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



**Today's Ministers:**

<b>Celebrant</b>	The Rev. Michael Rusk	<b>Gospeller</b>	The Rev. Deacon Richard Cole
<b>Director of Music</b>	Shauna Beesley	<b>Reader</b>	Duncan Campbell
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Evelyne Römer	<b>Intercessor</b>	Vicky Maltby
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Evelyne Römer & Duncan Campbell	<b>Usher</b>	Torsten Bartsch
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Yunise Korir	<b>Welcomer</b>	Miranda Wilson

**The flowers** are generously given today by Sroda Bédarida, in memory of her beloved mother, Eva Gaveh.

**Prayer List:** This week, we are praying for Bob, Bonian and Christine, Cyrus and Rajan, Ennis, Erik, Erin, Ernest, Hélène, Irène, Julien, Marguerite and Don, Marie-Noelle, Mary and her family, Max, Milki, Mina and John, Patricia, Paul, Philip, Ricardo, Rose, Rosemary and her family, Safi and his mother, Samuel, Shauna, Terry, Yan and Jacqueline.

**In our Convocation Prayer Cycle**, this week, we pray for The Council of Anglican/ Episcopal Churches in Germany (CAECG).

**Reception into the Episcopal Church: Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Here at Emmanuel, we come from many different Christian denominations and pathways of faith. This is something that we celebrate and honor. For many, Emmanuel becomes their spiritual home while they are in Geneva. Others may prefer to go deeper and align themselves clearly with the Episcopal expression of Anglican faith. If you are one of this number and if you would like to consider being received into the Episcopal Church by Bishop Mark on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>, please speak with the Rector or Deacon Richard. We will explain the process to you and provide some formation as to what it means to be Episcopalian. Please note that anyone who has been baptized in the name of the triune God - ("I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit") can be confirmed in the Episcopal Church. Their baptism is accepted and honored. Those who have been confirmed in a church of another Anglican tradition or who have made a mature confession of faith in another denomination, can be received into the Episcopal Church. For further information contact the Rector by email - michael.f.rusk@icloud.com

# Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Geneva

## Welcome to Emmanuel!

Whether you are a visitor or seeking a home church in Geneva, the Emmanuel community welcomes you. Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, we hope you will find a home here.

## Mission Statement

*Living as Emmanuel, God with us, we are called to recognize the presence of God within ourselves, in each other, and in the world; to share our spiritual journey; to gather as a Eucharistic community to receive God's grace and to equip one another to be the radiant presence of Christ as we go out into the world.*

## Vestry

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