



**ST. PAUL'S**  
EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Choral Eucharist**

**Sunday, April 28, 2024**

**Ten o'clock in the morning**

**Organ Voluntary**      *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*      arr. Michael Burkhardt

**Hymn 205**      *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!*      GELOBT SEI GOTT

**THE EASTER GREETING**      BCP p. 355

*Celebrant*      Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

*The Celebrant prays the Collect for Purity and the people respond Amen.*

**The Gloria**      (*in the front section of the Hymnal*)      S236

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

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.**

*The Celebrant leads the people in the Diocesan Prayer*

**Holy God of abundance and life, we thank you for the gift of the Episcopal Church and the Diocese of Iowa in which we live out your call. Stretch our minds and the capacity of our hearts as we learn and grow into the community of disciples that you dream of. Send your Holy Spirit to guide us as we seek your plan for the future of this diocese. Enliven our faith as we learn to take risks in following Jesus. Strengthen us as one church,**

one diocese, united in Christ's love, and bring us in joy to the day when we step out of the boat and dance on the water, in the name of Jesus who calls us. Amen.

## THE LESSONS

**A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles** [8: 26 – 40]

**Psalm 22** *Deus, Deus meus* BCP p. 612

*The Cantor sings the refrain initially and the People join when invited*

Mode 1

**Refrain**

Make known the sav - ing deeds that God has done.

from *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.

**A Reading from the First Letter of John** [4: 7 – 21]

**Hymn 178** *Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord* ALLELUIA NO. 1  
*Stanzas 1 & 2*

**The Holy Gospel** [John 15: 1 – 8]

**THE HOMILY** The Rev. Jean Davis

**THE NICENE CREED, standing** BCP p. 358

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV** BCP p. 388

*All stand or kneel as able for prayer.*

*Deacon* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*At the end of each intercession the people respond:*

*Intercessor:* Lord, in your mercy

**People:** Hear our prayer.

## THE PEACE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**Anthem**

*Alleluias*

Robert Lau

**Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP p. 367

**Sanctus**

*(in the front section of the Hymnal)*

S124

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

BCP page 364

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**Fraction Anthem** *(in the front section of the Hymnal)*

S161

*All who seek a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion by moving forward to the altar rail or by remaining in your place and indicating to an usher that you would like to receive. Alternatively, you are welcome to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are not yet baptized and feel drawn to receive Holy Communion, please speak with a priest about baptism after the service.*

**Hymn 318**

*Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face*

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**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

BCP p. 365

**THE BLESSING**

The God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting 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.**

**Hymn 182**

*Christ is alive!*

TRURO

**DISMISSAL**

**Closing Voluntary**

*I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

Burkhardt

**Announcements for April 28, 2024**

**Today at St. Paul's**

- **Joyful Hearts Prayer Group**

An invitation to a **Prayer Service of Blessing and Healing** at 9am today in the Chapel. All are welcome.

## United Thank Offering

St Paul's will be participating in the United Thank Offering (UTO) during this upcoming Easter season. UTO is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Please take your UTO envelope home and bring it back to St. Paul's on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. "Every coin and bill transforms lives"!

## Episcopal Diocese of Iowa Summer Ministry School & Retreat

*Dancing on the Water* – June 14 thru June 16

For more information see the flyers in the Narthex.

## St. Paul's Gardens

Calling all green thumbs to do some gardening Saturday May 4, 9 a.m. until noon. There will be some planting of transplants from my garden and Mark Babcock has already promised hostas. If you too have spare hostas, bring them, also any hardy ferns. There will also be some weeding and possibly some pruning. Bring your favorite garden tools, wear gloves and probably long sleeves to protect against any poison ivy we may have missed. I should explain, the major spring cutting back and litter removal has already been done by landscaper Justin Trevillyan. I'll bring doughnuts and orange juice.

Elvin McDonald

## Today's Ministers

Eight o'clock Eucharist:

*Presider* – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance

*Homilist* – The Rev. Jean Davis

*Deacon* – The Rev. John Doherty

*Crucifer* – St. Paul's Team Member

*1<sup>st</sup> lesson and Psalm* – Sharon Gentsch

*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson* – Barbara Willey

*Intercessor* – St. Paul's Team Member

*Eucharistic Ministers* – Sharon Gentsch

*Organist/Choirmaster* Canon Mark Babcock

*Audio* – Mike Gillespie

Ten o'clock Eucharist:

*Presider* – The Very Rev. Nicola Dance

*Homilist* – The Rev. Jean Davis

*Deacon* – The Rev. John Doherty

*Crucifer* – Catherine Gillespie

*Torch bearers* – St. Paul's Team Members

*1<sup>st</sup> lesson* – St. Paul's Team Member

*Cantor* – Austin Rozendaal

*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson* – Scott Jeneary

*Intercessor* – St. Paul's Team Member

*Eucharistic Ministers* – St. Paul's Team Members

*Audio* – Ellen Cleveland

*Video* – Nathan Thiessen

*Ushers* – St. Paul's Team Members

*Organist/Choirmaster* Canon Mark Babcock

*Assistant Choirmaster* – Josh Boggs

Members of St. Paul's Cathedral Choir

*Chapter Counters* – Stephanie Murphy, Duane

Sand, (alt. Tom Smith)

*Coffee Hour Hosts* – Erin Littlewood, Barbara Duro



**Mission Statement:** St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral is a welcoming, worshipping community committed to living Christ's unconditional love through fellowship, service, and kindness. **Vision Statement:** Grounded in Worship. Deepening in Faith. Reaching Out in Love.