



The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ
May 29, 2022
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

BCP = Book of Common Prayer, red book

H = The Hymnal 1982, blue book

G= Gather Songbook, blue softbound

The Word of God

A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung. The people standing, the Celebrant says

Opening Hymn: “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”

H-214

In place of the above, from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

The Celebrant may say

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.



S 278

Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
 might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
 on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. 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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

The Collect of the Day

BCP 225

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lessons

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 1: 1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 The LORD is King;
he has put on splendid apparel; *
the LORD has put on his apparel
and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so sure *
that it cannot be moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD,
the waters have lifted up their voice; *
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea, *
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very sure, *
and holiness adorns your house, O LORD,
for ever and for evermore.

Reading from the Epistle to the Ephesians

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

"From the Dawning of Creation"

(text is from WLP Hymnal #748)

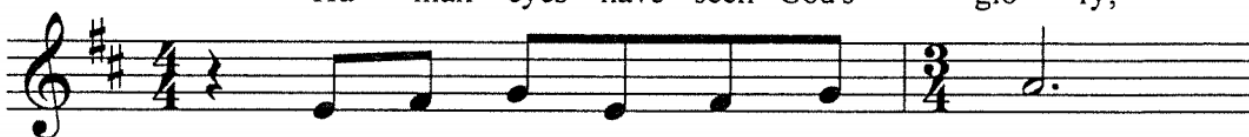
From the Dawning of Creation

words: Delores Dufner, OSB

setting: Dolores McCreary



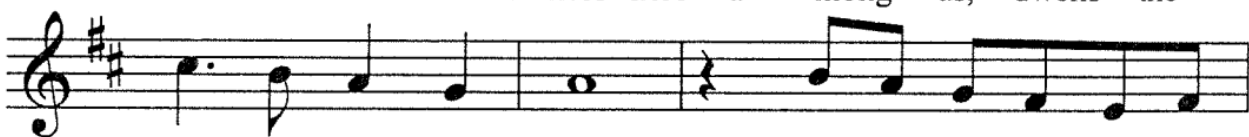
1. From the dawn - ing of cre - a - tion,
2. Light ap - peared in deep - est dark - ness.
3. Hu - man eyes have seen God's glo - ry;



God was pre - sent in the Word.
Night was end - ed, morn - ing dawned.
hu - man hands have touched God's own.



And the Word was God e - ter - nal, source of
And that light is ev - er burn - ing, bright - ness
In our like - ness here a - mong us, dwells the



all that came to be. Je - sus is that Word e -
nev - er o - ver - come. Je - sus is that Light e -
Word of God made flesh. Je - sus is that Word in -



ter - nal, Je - sus is the Word of life.
ter - nal. Je - sus is the Word of life.
car - nate. Je - sus is the Word of life.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "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. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Fr Nick Phares

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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

God and Father of all, you have blessed the Church with the presence of your Holy Spirit. Guide us as we go out into the world to do the work you have given us to do as witnesses of your love and grace. Abide with us Lord Christ. Enlighten us,

Let us see as you see.

You have exalted your son Jesus Christ far above every earthly ruler and authority. May all things come under his gracious dominion – may your kingdom come. We pray that the violence and division of this world might be transformed by the power of Christ's healing. We pray especially for the victims and families of the school shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord you have sent your blessed son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. Help us to draw closer to one another in love, building up your Kingdom here in Bartlesville as you would have us do. Come Lord Jesus,

And fill us with the power of your love.

Merciful God, your power is immensurable and your mercy profound. Heal those who are sick; fill the despairing with hope; and lift up the lowly. We pray especially for: **Linda and Terry Piper, Liz Green, Joseph Louis, Lorrie Loy, Kyle Frohlic, Michelle Sheffield, Catherine Sheffield, Sydney & Ed Beasley, David King, Pris Snow, Amber Emerson, Ben Baker, Sanawbar, Diana Farris, Charlie Lee, Cindy and Tom Moffitt, Joel Hahn, Allen Oliphant, Stacey & Butch Webster, Steve McCraw, Peter VonHoffman, Tom Martin, Josh Harris, Katie Rolielard, Debbie French, Lynda Stephens, Cindy Dronyk, Aurora Wulf, Janice Lonski, Bruce & Mary Ramzel, Dave Bartosh, David Swindell, Carol Murphy, Marilyn King, and Norma Perrier.**

Lord we trust that you will act in their lives.

You have opened the door to new and unending life through the resurrection of your Son, Jesus: Gather those who have died into your eternal embrace and give them and **Terrill Birkner** your peace. Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

BCP 360

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

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

Announcements

Fr. Nick

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem **“Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor”**
Setting by Parker Ramsay, text from Hymn 307

Choir

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 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:

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. How blest is He who comes, who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The score includes various musical notations such as rests, beams, and slurs to indicate the rhythm and phrasing of the hymn.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [] and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.**

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

BCP 364

Come a - dore this won - drous pre - sence,
 bow to Christ the source of grace. Here is kept the an - cient
 pro - mise of God's earth - ly dwell - ing place.
 Sight is blind be - fore God's glo - ry, faith a - lone may see his face.
 Glo - ry, hon - or, might, do - min - ion to our God on high shall be.
 To the Fa - ther, Son and Spi - rit, ev - er bless - ed Tri - ni - ty:
 Praise be giv'n and a - do - ra - tion un - to all e - ter - ni - ty!

The Invitation to Communion

Communion

BCP 365

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

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

Post Communion Hymn “Life-Giving Bread, Saving Cup”

G - 339

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

BOS 26

And the Blessing of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn “Hail Thee, Festival Day”

H- 216

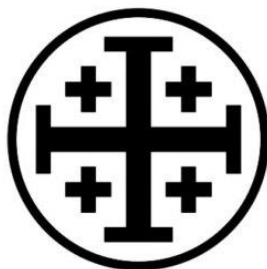
The Dismissal

BCP 340

Celebrant Let us go forth into world rejoicing in the power of Risen Christ.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Organ Postlude



Celebrant: Father Nick Phares
Organist and Choir Master: Dolores McCreary
Layreaders: Becky Liehr, Jim Liehr
Usher: Jim Warring

Altar Flowers are given by
Jim and Sally Lindsay in Loving Memory of **Tony and Mary Glover**
And
Don Hager and Tom Oakes Families in Honor of **Betty Hardin's** 100th Birthday

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