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*Our vision* A spiritually alive world  
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*Wheatfield*, by Vincent van Gogh (1888)

## **The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

*21 March 2021*  
*11 a.m. Choral Eucharist*

# The Holy Eucharist

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT • 21 MARCH 2021 • 11 AM

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Welcome to Grace Cathedral — online! You are invited to participate in this service as you are able, by standing, sitting, praying and singing aloud as you may be moved. We may not be with you to hear you, but we join our prayers with yours, and offer them to God with joyful hearts.

Know, too that your offerings support the many ministries of Grace Cathedral, and your gift helps realize the vision of a spiritually alive world. Visit [www.gracecathedral.org/GiveToGrace](http://www.gracecathedral.org/GiveToGrace) to give. Thank you for your generosity, and for being part of Grace Cathedral today.

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VOLUNTARY

Prelude on *Rockingham*

Kenneth Leighton

## The Gathering

PROCESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

Herbert Howells  
*Collegium Regale*

Choir Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the God of our salvation:

People **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The people may kneel or stand.

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

All **God of all mercy, we confess  
that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**We have denied your goodness  
in each other, in ourselves,  
and in the world you have created.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The presider pronounces God's absolution.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider May God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



## THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:5-10

**Reader** A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save

him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

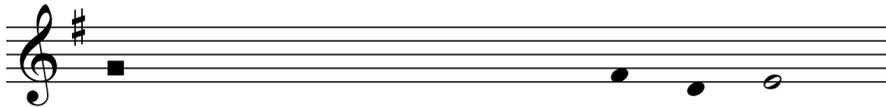
The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:20-33

**Choir** If anyone serves me, he must follow me, says the Lord;



**People** and where I am, there shall my servant al - so be.

**Before the reading** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father

will honor. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

**After the Gospel** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

A period of silence may follow.

The people sit.

The Rev. Dr. Mark Andrew Jefferson  
Virginia Theological Seminary

## THE NICENE CREED

After the sermon, the people stand.

**All** 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

**Presider** In peace, we pray to you, O God:  
In gratitude for this community, especially ...  
and for all the blessings of this life

**People** **We praise and exalt you for ever and ever.**  
For the mission and ministry of the Church of God  
**For all who serve the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth**  
For all who await the outward signs and grace of Baptism  
**For all who hunger and thirst for your presence**  
For those we greet comfortably and love readily,  
**For those we ignore, diminish, or exclude**  
For this community, city, nation and world;  
**For all who labor for justice, equity, health and wholeness**  
For the just and proper use of your creation  
**For the will to choose the common good**  
For all who are sick, suffering, displaced or detained,  
**For all who heal, soothe, grant refuge and release,**  
Hear us, God;  
**For your mercy is great;**  
For... and all the saints  
**For eternal rest and peace. .**

The presider adds a concluding collect.

## THE PEACE

**Presider** The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**All** **And also with you.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements about your cathedral home, and the many ways you can be a part of this vibrant community

# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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## HYMN 474

Sung by all, standing.

Rockingham



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young  
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the  
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and  
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an



1 Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I  
2 cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that  
3 love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and  
4 of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



1 count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
2 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.  
3 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
4 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); music: from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, ca. 1780; harm. Edward Miller (1731-1807)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Enriching our Worship I, Prayer 2

**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Presider** ...Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## SANCTUS

Sung by all.

Plainsong

Ho - ly, ——— Ho - ly, ——— Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.  
Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry: Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord: Ho - san - na in the high - est. ———

Presider, concluding ...Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

All AMEN.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider Let us pray together, each in the language of our heart, as our Savior Christ has taught us:

All **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 Bread is broken. Silence follows.

Presider God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

People **Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The Gifts of God for the people of God.

## AGNUS DEI

Howells

Choir 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.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All **Everliving God,  
we give you thanks  
for nourishing our roots  
and creating us anew.  
Fed and healed by your presence,  
loving you in our service,  
Help us to become what we celebrate,  
the Body of Christ for the world.  
Amen.**



What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that  
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll



caused the God of bliss to lay a - side a crown for my  
is the great I AM, while mil-lions join the theme, I will  
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to lay a - side a crown for my soul.  
sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme I will sing.  
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

text: Adapted for local use from an American folk hymn, ca. 1835; music: from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835

## The Sending Forth

**THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**    The presider pronounces God's blessing.

**Presider** May the crucified Christ shatter our brittle fear, draw all people to his glory,  
and make us servants for the life of the world, and the blessing of God....

**All** Amen.

**Deacon** Let us bless the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

**VOLUNTARY**

Fantasia on *Wondrous Love*

David Hurd

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#### SERVING THE ASSEMBLY

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| Presider  | <b>The Very Rev. Dr. Malcolm Clemens Young</b> , Dean                     |
| Homilist  | <b>The Rev. Dr. Mark Andrew Jefferson</b> , Virginia Theological Seminary |
| Assisting | <b>The Rev. Mary Carter Greene</b> , Minister for Congregational Life     |
| Deacon    | <b>The Ven. Canon Nina Pickerrell</b> , Archdeacon                        |
| Lector    | <b>Charles P. Shipley III</b> , Head Verger                               |
| Musician  | <b>Christopher Keady</b> , Assistant Director of Music                    |