

– PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD –

FIRST READING Acts 8.26–40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.)<sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship<sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.<sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.”<sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?”<sup>31</sup> He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.<sup>32</sup> Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.<sup>33</sup> In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.”<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?”<sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.<sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?”<sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him.<sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.<sup>40</sup> But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

☩ The Word of the Lord.   ℟️ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22.22–32 *Deus, Deus meus. (Coverdale)*

*Chant: HENRY SMART (1813–1879)*

I will declare thy name unto my brethren; \* **in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.**  
23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him; \* **magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.**

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor; \* **he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him, he heard him.**

25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation; \* **my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.**

26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied; \* **they that seek after the Lord shall praise him. Your heart shall live for ever.**

27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord; \* **and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.**

28 For the kingdom is the Lord’s, \* **and he is the Governor among the people.**

29 All such as be fat upon earth \* **have eaten and worshipped.**

30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him; \* **and no man hath quickened his own soul.**

31 My seed shall serve him; \* **they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.**

32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness \* **unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.**

**As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

SECOND READING 1 John 4.7–21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.<sup>8</sup> Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.<sup>9</sup> God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.<sup>10</sup> In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.<sup>11</sup> Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.<sup>12</sup> No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.<sup>13</sup> By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.<sup>14</sup> And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Saviour of the world.<sup>15</sup> God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God.<sup>16</sup> So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them.<sup>17</sup> Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world.<sup>18</sup> There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love.<sup>19</sup> We love because he first loved us.<sup>20</sup> Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have

not seen.<sup>21</sup> The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

☩ The Word of the Lord.   ℟️ **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN 256 *Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost*

CAPETOWN

GOSPEL St. John 15.1–8 *§remain standing*

☩ The Lord be with you.   ℟️ **And with thy spirit.**

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

℟️ **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

Jesus said,<sup>1</sup> “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower.<sup>2</sup> He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit.<sup>3</sup> You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you.<sup>4</sup> Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.<sup>5</sup> I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.<sup>6</sup> Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.<sup>7</sup> If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.<sup>8</sup> My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

☩ The Gospel of Christ.   ℟️ **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

HOMILY

NICENE CREED *§stand*

*Priest* I believe in one God,

*All*

**the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. ++And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *§stand, sit, or kneel*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*Priest* Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

*People* **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and**

**please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Priest*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: ++have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

– CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST –

THE PEACE *§stand*

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

OFFERTORY HYMN 238 *King of love*

HERMON

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

☩ All things come of thee, O Lord.   ℟️ **And of thine own have we given thee.**

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

*Priest* Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Eucharistic Prayer A - Preface of Easter*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.   *People* **And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.   **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

*Priest*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

SANCTUS, BENEDICTUS

MERBECKE

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. ++Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.**

*Priest*

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.” Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink

it, in remembrance of me.” Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

**All** We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

**Priest** And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

#### LORD'S PRAYER

**Priest** And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:  
**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

**All** We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. *Amen.*

FRACTION ANTHEM *Agnus Dei* KEITH RHODES (1929–2010)

#### INVITATION

☩ The gifts of God for the People of God. **℟ Thanks be to God.**

#### THE COMMUNION

*During the administration of Communion and the Ablutions, the choir will sing:*

HYMN 209 *O God of truth, whose living word* MARTYRS  
ANTHEM *View me, Lord* RICHARD H. LLOYD (1933–)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Priest** God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. *Amen.*

#### DOXOLOGY

**Priest** Glory to God,  
**All** whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### BLESSING

**Priest** The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his

Son Jesus Christ our Lord: ☩ And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN 241 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

HYFRYDOL

#### DISMISSAL

☩ Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!  
**℟ Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

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**All are invited to Church House  
for refreshments and fellowship after the service.**

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St. Luke's is a scent-free space. Please be aware that scents may cause allergic/asthmatic reactions in some of our congregants.

Please silence electronic devices such as smart phones.

#### ASSISTING -

**Lectors:** Colin Briggs, Richard Ryland  
**Chalice Bearers:** Joanne Tapscott, Vera Rosolowich  
**Sidespersons:** Katie and Len Clace  
**Lay-Reader:** Sheila Welbergen  
**Crucifer:** Don Seaton  
**Senior Acolyte:** Ted Rennie  
**Acolytes:** Elly Gibson, Susan Roe-Finlay  
**Intercessor:** Heather Baxter-Naughten  
**Oblationers:** Carol Perch, Jan Roberts  
**Catechists:** Lomalanga Mkhabela, Claire Reis  
**Counters:** Sara Sakowski, Tom Naughten  
**Altar Guild:** Linda Sherrett  
**Host:** Katie Clace  
*(proceeds to Hospitality Drop-in)*

If you would like your birth date or anniversary published in the pew leaflet, please contact the parish office.

#### Happy Birthday

John Wortley 30 April Sarah Williamson 2 May  
James Sherrett 1 May Harold Christie 3 May  
Rainy Spence-Parisian 1 May

Next Sunday - 6 May

#### The Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:15 AM - SAID EUCHARIST • 10:30 AM - SUNG EUCHARIST

Propers: 341 • Acts 10.44–48 • Psalm 98 *Cantate Domino.*  
1 John 5.1–6 • St. John 15.9–17

*This parish has been blessed  
by your presence today.*

The Parish Church  
of St. Luke 

The Fifth Sunday  
of Easter

29 APRIL 2018

*We acknowledge that we meet and work in the Treaty One Land,  
the traditional land of the Anishinaabe, Cree, and Dakota people,  
and the homeland of the Métis Nation.  
We are grateful for their stewardship of this land and their hospitality  
which allows us to live, work and serve God the Creator here.*

#### WELCOME GUESTS

Newcomers are encouraged to make themselves known to the clergy and to phone the parish office at 204.452.3609 should you wish to express any needs or concerns.

Please complete a visitor leaflet or envelope with your email address if you would like to receive parish newsletters sent to you regularly.

#### 8:15 AM - SAID EUCHARIST

Service: BAS 230 • Collect: BAS 340 • Psalm: 22.24–30 *Deus, Deus meus.*  
Lay-Reader: Linda Sherrett • Lector: Bill Brant  
Sidesperson: Bertha Brant • Chalice Bearer: Bertha

#### 10:30 AM - SUNG EUCHARIST

*Service Music Setting: JOHN MERBECKE (1510–1585)*

#### - GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY -

HYMN 303 *Where cross the crowded ways of life* FULDA

#### GREETING

☩ Alleluia! Christ is risen. **℟ The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
☩ May his grace and peace be with you. **℟ May he fill our hearts with joy.**

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Priest** Almighty God,  
**People** unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

MERBECKE

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Priest** Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*