



## 5th Sunday of Easter

10 May 2020 @ 9:30 AM

*"I am the Way"*

Grace Episcopal Church  
Randolph, New York

### THE TOWER BELL OF GRACE CHURCH

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

*Pascha nostrum*

**Alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \***

**therefore let us keep the feast,**

**Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \***

**but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.**

**Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \***

**death no longer has dominion over him.**

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \***

**but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

**So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \***

**and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, \***

**the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since by a man came death, \***

**by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

**For as in Adam all die, \***

**so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**

THE PSALM *is prayed responsively by half-verse*

*Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 [BCP]*

- 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."**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Surely, it is God who saves me; \***

**I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \***

**and he will be my Savior.**

**Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \***

**from the springs of salvation.**

**And on that day you shall say, \***

**Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

**Make his deeds known among the peoples; \***

**see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \***

**and this is known in all the world.**

**Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \***

**for the great one in the midst of you**

**is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \***

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

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 Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**the holy catholic Church,**

**the communion of saints,**

**the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

*As we lift our prayers to God, if you place your prayers of special intent in the Comments section on this Facebook video, we will add your concerns to our Grace Church Prayer List this week.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**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.**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**And grant us your salvation.**

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**Let your people sing with joy.**

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**For only in you can we live in safety.**

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Let your way be known upon earth;

**Your saving health among all nations.**

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

**Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

## A PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers some day and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; for all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have mothered others in any way—those who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; for the earth that bore us and provides our sustenance. We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. **Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We offer our prayers to Jesus, who is the Way and the Truth and the Life, responding to each petition by saying, "Hear us, O risen Christ."

For parishes and missions of our diocese, that we will devote ourselves to the teaching and fellowship of Christ, and the offering of prayers; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

That an outpouring of generosity will flow from the gratitude and thanksgiving that dwell in our hearts, moving the Church, the household of faith, to provide relief to those in any want or need; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

For the courage to share the faith we hold, and the willingness to listen humbly to those whose interpretation of the faith differs from our own; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

For those who are spiritually lost, or who question their faith, or whose souls are wrapped in the shadows of doubt, that they may share their misgivings with Jesus, who gently unfolds the truth and reveals a way; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

For all those who exercise leadership, that their actions may reflect the ways of the Servant, whose obedience to God released the power to overcome every darkness, and whose sacrifice opened the gates to eternity; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

In thanksgiving for our merciful Jesus, who loves us beyond our shame and guilt, frees us from the tombs of our past, and invites us to receive his gift of overwhelming forgiveness; let us pray.

**Hear us, O risen Christ.**

For all the faithful departed, who now behold the Lord Jesus in his risen glory; let us pray. **Hear us, O risen Christ.**

Let us continue our prayers in the Name of the One in whom we sing the triumphant strain, “Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.”

*You are invited to add your prayers of special intention.*

#### COLLECT AT THE PRAYERS

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS & INVITATION TO SOCIAL TIME

A BLESSING

HYMN

Thou art the Way

*Hymnal 1982 #457*

1 Thou art the Way, to thee a - lone from  
2 Thou art the Truth, thy word a - lone true  
3 Thou art the Life, the rend - ing tomb pro -  
4 Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant

sin and death we flee; and all who would the  
wis - dom can im - part; thou on - ly canst in -  
claims thy con - quering arm; and those who put their  
us that way to know, that truth to keep, that

Fa - ther seek, must seek him, Lord, by thee.  
form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart.  
trust in thee nor death nor hell shall harm.  
life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

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Music: *St. James*, Raphael Courteville (d. 1735)

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## THE DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**



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Prayers of the People

*Planning for Rites and Rituals: The Fourth Sunday of Easter, alt.*

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Prayer for Mother's Day

from *Women's Common Prayers: Our Lives Revealed, Nurtured, Celebrated* (Morehouse Publishing, 2000)

Liturgy of the Office and Collects

from *The Book of Common Prayer*, 1979.

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