

Church of the Heavenly Rest

Fifth Avenue at 90th Street in the City of New York

May 3, 2009

10:30 a.m.

Easter IV Holy Eucharist and Baptism



Children are welcome in all of our worship services. But if they wish, they are invited to line up for the procession at the back of the church just before 10:30 (look for the child's cross), or they can join the other children in procession as they are passing by your pew. They are led into the Children's Chapel for a simple service with child-friendly teaching. The children then return to their families in the church at the Peace where you can participate in the rest of the service together.

The Word of God

Prelude

Andante sostenuto
from *Symphonie Gothique*

Charles-Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

All stand for the procession.

Hymn 391

Before the Lord's eternal throne

WINCHESTER NEW

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Priest There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Priest One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

All sit.

The First Lesson – Acts 4:5-12

Lector: Richard Johnson

The day after they had arrested Peter and John for teaching about Jesus and the resurrection, the rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(a moment of silence for reflection)

Psalm 23 (*sung by the Choir*) *Anglican chant: Hylton Stewart* (1884-1932)

The LORD is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.
He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil;
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Second Lesson – 1 John 3:16-24 Lector: Cheryl Mwaria-Simaan

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(a moment of silence for reflection)

All stand.

Sequence Hymn 663 (cc) The Lord my God my shepherd is CRIMOND

The Gospel – John 10:11-18

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away-- and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

All sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. James L. Burns

The Sacrament of Baptism

Presentation and Examination of Candidates

Prayer Book, p. 301

Candidates: Hudson Josef Wilhelm Schaefer
Mackenzie Lynne Gray
Frances Parker Birdsey
Avelene Margaux Nabage

The Baptismal Covenant

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**
Priest Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People **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.
Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **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.
Priest Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Priest Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord.
People **I will, with God's help.**
Priest Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Priest Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**
Priest Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

The Procession to the Font

Prayers for the Candidates

Priest Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
Intercessor Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Intercessor Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Intercessor Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Intercessor Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Intercessor Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
Intercessor Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever.

People **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Prayer Book, p. 306

The Baptism

Prayer Book, p. 307

Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Priest Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God.**

**Confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

All stand.

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Children return from Children's Chapel at this time.

All sit.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory, Anthem

John Rutter (b. 1945)

For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

*Lord of all, to Thee we raise
this our joyful hymn of grateful praise.*

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r,
sun and moon and stars of light.

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child.
Friends on earth and friends above
for all gentle thoughts and mild.

For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given.
Graces human and divine
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n.

Folliot Sandford Pierpoint (1835-1917)

Heavenly Rest Choir and Choristers

All stand and sing.

At the Presentation, Hymn 686

NETTLETON

- 1 Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.**
- 2 Here I find my greatest treasure; hither, by thy help, I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.**
- 3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, p. 367

The people remain standing.

Celebrant 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 God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues: It is right, and a good and joyful thing ... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus *(sung by all)*

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Ho - ly, Ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho san - na in the high - est.

All may kneel. The Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, ... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving ... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has 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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

At the Breaking of the Bread,

Fraction Anthem

Gary James (b. 1957)

The Cantor sings the Refrain, then all repeat.

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor The bread which we break, alleluia,
is the communion of the body of Christ.

All **Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

Cantor One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

All **Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.**

The Communion of the People

*All who seek God, and are drawn to Christ, are welcome at his table.
Each Sunday during the Eucharist, lay prayer ministers are available at
the prayer desks by the lectern for anyone who would like prayers for
healing with the laying on of hands for themselves or on behalf of others.*

At the Communion, Anthem

Bob Chilcott (b. 1955)

Loving shepherd of thy sheep,
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand,
None can pluck me from thy hand.

Loving shepherd, ever near,
Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear,
Suffer not my steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way.

I would praise thee everyday,
Gladly all thy will obey,
Like thy blessed ones above,
Happy in thy precious love.

Where thou leadest I would go,
Walking in thy steps below,
Till before my Father's throne
I shall know as I am known.

Jane E. Leeson (1807-1882)

Anthem

Martin How (b. 1931)

Day by day, of thee three things I pray. To see Thee more clearly,
love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day.

Prayer of St. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)

Heavenly Rest Choristers

Hymn 645

The King of love my shepherd is

ST. COLUMBA

All kneel.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Priest and people

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

All stand for the procession.

Hymn 174 (cc)

At the Lamb's high feast

SALZBURG

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude

Final from *Symphonie I*

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

(cc) indicates congregational choice hymn.

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