

St. Clement's Church
Holy Eucharist

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 21, 2010

Organ Prelude

Audi, benigne Conditor
Élévation III

Marcel Dupré

Processional Hymn 495

Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

In Babilone

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People His mercy endureth for ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are 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.*

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie eleison, S-89

Hans Leo Hassler

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of / *Zion*,
 then were we like / *those who dream*.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with / *laughter*,
 and our tongue with / *shouts of joy*.
- 3 Then they said among the / *nations*,
 “The LORD has done great / *things for them.*”
- 4 The LORD has done great / *things for us*,
 and we are / *glad indeed*.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O / *LORD*,
 like the watercourses / *of the Negev*.
- 6 Those who / *sowed with tears*
 will reap with / *songs of joy*.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the / *seed*,
 will come again with joy, shoulder/*ing their sheaves*.

The Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

Even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel: John 12:1-8

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bruce D. O'Neill

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, 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 his 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;
by whom all things were made; who for us men 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, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped 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

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Confession of Sin

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, 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 honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution and Comfortable Words

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The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide
them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world.
Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them
when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall;
and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding
abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

O God, who hast so consecrated the state of Matrimony
that in it is represented the spiritual marriage and unity
between Christ and his Church; look mercifully upon these thy servants,
that they may love, honour, and cherish each other, and so live together
in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness,
that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee
and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Announcements

Offertory AnthemAria from *Stabat Mater*
Victor Gold, soloist

Franz Schubert

Möcht' ich, wie auf Adlers Flügeln
hin zu euch, ihr Höhen, eilen,
in der Höhn der Herrlichkeit.May I, as on wings of eagles,
thither to ye, o ye High ones,
in the heights of glory speed.Mitgenossen jenes Erbes
Mitempfänger meiner Krone,
meine Brüder, leitet mich.O my colleagues who inherit,
Of my crown, the Coreceptors,
Lead me, brethren, lead me on.Chorus from *Stabat Mater*
Adult ChoirJesus Christus schwebt am Kreuze
blutig sank sein Haupt herunter
blutig in des Todes Nacht.Jesus on the cross did hover,
bloody sank his head down,
bloody in the night of death.**Presentation Hymn**

With gratitude and humble praise

*Kingsfold***The Great Thanksgiving**

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.*People* And with thy spirit.*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.*People* It is meet and right so to do.*Celebrant*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.Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal
feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and
Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who
love thee.Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and
magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,**Sanctus, S-117**

Hans Leo Hassler

Celebrant All glory be to thee, Almighty God...

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By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.*People* AMEN.*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer*People and Celebrant*

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem

Aestimatus sum Tomás Luis de Victoria
 Men of the Adult Choir Tenebrae Responsory No. 17

*Aestimatus sum cum descendentibus in lacum,
 factus sum sicut homo sine adiutorio, inter mortuos liber.
 Posuerunt me in lacu inferiori, in tenebrosis et in umbra mortis.*

I am counted with them that go down into the pit:
 I am as a man that hath no strength: free among the dead.
 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Prayer of Humble Access*Celebrant and People*

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.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
At St. Clement's all who seek Christ are invited to receive communion.

Communion Hymn 474

When I survey the wondrous cross *Rockingham*

Ablutions Anthem

Hear My Prayer, O God *James Kent*
 Youth Choir
 Hear my prayer, O God!
 And hide not thyself from my petition.

Postcommunion Prayer*People and Celebrant*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing**Recessional Hymn 471**

We sing the praise of him who died

*Breslau***Dismissal***People* Thanks be to God.**Organ Postlude***Méditation pour orgue*

Maurice Duruflé