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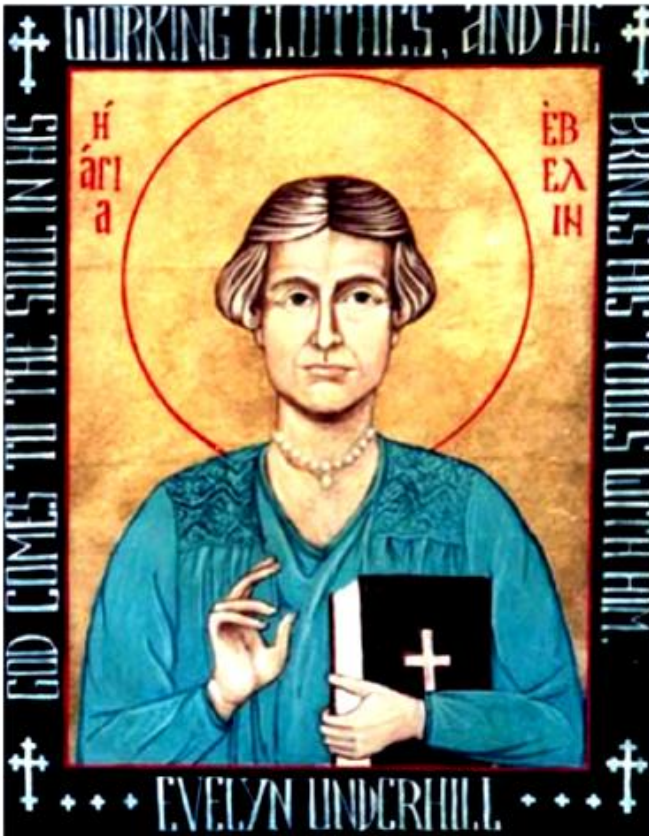
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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST



ST. STEPHEN'S
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Entrance Rites

The people stand as they are able.

The Processional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #420



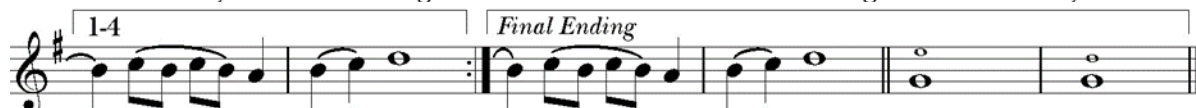
1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, _____
2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found _____
3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song, _____
4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night _____
5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! _____



1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride, _____
2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound, _____
3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, _____
4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light? _____
5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise! _____



1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried _____
2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found _____
3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue, _____
4 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight, _____
5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways _____



— Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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Music: Engelberg, Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and ever living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One,
 you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most
 High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant *Let us pray.*

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Word of God

First Reading

From the Preface to the first Edition of *Mysticism* (by Evelyn Underhill, 1910).

“Mysticism [is] the science or art of the spiritual life...it [is] the expression of the innate tendency of the human spirit towards complete harmony with the transcendental order; whatever be the theological formula under which that order is understood. This tendency, in great mystics, gradually captures the whole field of consciousness; it dominates their life, and, in the experience called ‘mystic un-

ion,' attains its end. Whether that end be called the God of Christianity, the World-soul of Pantheism, the Absolute of Philosophy, the desire to attain it and the movement towards it – so long as this is a genuine life process and not an intellectual speculation – is the proper subject of mysticism. I believe this movement to represent the true line of development of the highest form of human consciousness.”

Lector: *Hear Ends the reading.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 20

1 May the Lord answer you in the day of **trouble**, *
the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

2 Send you help from his holy place *
and strengthen you out of Zion;

3 Remember all your offerings *
and accept your burnt sacrifice;

4 Grant you your heart's desire *
and prosper all your plans.

5 We will shout for joy at your victory and
triumph in the Name of our God; *
may the Lord grant all your requests.

6 Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; *
he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious
strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *
but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.

8 They collapse and fall down, *
but we will arise and stand upright.

9 O Lord, give victory to the king *
and answer us when we call.

Second Reading

A reading from The Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (5:6-17).

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Lector: *Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #204



1	Now	the	green	blade	ris - eth	from	the	bur - ied	grain,		
2	In	the	grave	they	laid	him,	Love	whom	hate	had	slain,
3	Forth	he	came	at	Eas - ter,	like	the	ris - en	grain,		
4	When	our	hearts	are	win - try,	griev - ing,	or	in	pain,		

wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that nev - er he would wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain,
 thy touch can call us back to life a - gain,

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 quick from the dead my ris - en Lord is seen:
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

Refrain
 Love is come a - gain like wheat that spring - eth green.

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Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

Celebrant: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*
 People: **Glory to You Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they

were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Celebrant: *The Gospel of the Lord.*
People: **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Sermon

All say together

The Nicene Creed

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.

Prayers of the People

Leader: *In the presence of our creative God who calls us to a growth that will transform and support us, let us come together and present our needs, saying: O God, hear our prayer.*

That all people of every race may find a dwelling place of welcome and nourishment with us, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

That as the mustard seed, the smallest of all earth's seeds, grows into the largest of shrubs, so may God's reign grow in us, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

That as we plant the seeds of the kingdom, we may sow generously, from a full heart, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

That as seeds require time to grow, we may continue to water and nourish God's word, confident that in time it will take root, growing strong as an oak, giving life and shelter to others, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

That the homeless may find a dwelling place of acceptance and care within the church, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

That all the sick and the suffering, especially those we name now (pause for names), may be healed, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, leaving these tents to enter the house you have built in heaven, especially those we name now (pause for names), we pray:
O God, hear our prayer.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, for the Church of the Province of Myanmar, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, for Christ Church of the Ascension in Paradise Valley, we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

For our Armed Forces, those who are far from home, for their safety and the well-being of their families and loved ones left behind, we pray:
O God, hear our prayer.

We acknowledge and pay respect to the first peoples of this land and their role as custodians of the earth given to them by our one and only Creator God. We commit ourselves to work actively alongside indigenous people for reconciliation and justice as we live into our Baptismal Covenant and respect the dignity of every person. we pray: **O God, hear our prayer.**

Leader: *Let us pray together:*

Teach us, Good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to work and not to seek to rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that by knowing we do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Holy God, make us holy. Revealing God, make us see. Sending God, make us move. Loving God, make us love.

Celebrant: *Nurturing God, gather us as the seeds of your mysterious life. Teach us*

to sense deeply your presence with us as we grow strong in love and service. May we be shelter for all in need. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who is your fullness with us. Amen.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER (adapted from Psalm 112)

Blessed in the man who reveres Adonai, Who greatly delights in God's commandments! He is gracious, compassionate and just; His descendants will be honored in the land. His household prospers, and his righteousness endures forever. He is not afraid of evil tidings; His mind is firm, trusting in Adonai. His heart is steady, he will not be afraid. He has distributed freely, He has given to the poor. His righteousness endures forever; His life is exalted in honor. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel as they are able.

All say together

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen

Absolution

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People **And also with you.***

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebrant says

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. Psalm 96:8

Offertory Hymn

Lift Every Voice and Sing II #79

1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to thy bo - som fly,
2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, Hangs my help - less soul on thee;
3. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, Grace to cleanse from ev - 'ry sin;

1. While the near - er wa - ters roll, While the tem - pest still is high;
2. Leave, ah! Leave me not a - lone, Still sup - port and com - fort me!
3. Let the heal - ing streams a - bound, Make and keep me pure with - in.

1. Hide me, O my Sa - vior, hide, Till the storm of life be past;
2. All my trust on thee is stayed; All my help from thee I bring;
3. Thou of life the foun - tain art, Free - ly let me take of thee:

1. Safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last.
2. Cov - er my de - fence - less head With the sha - dow of thy wing.
3. Spring thou up with - in my heart, Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

The Doxology

Verse 3 only

The Hymnal 1982 #380 v3

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in the key of D major. The treble staff contains the vocal melody, and the bass staff contains the accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three numbered lines of text corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

The second system of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three lines of text corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three lines of text corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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.**

Celebrant

Then the Celebrant continues

*God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. **Glory to you for ever and ever.***

*At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home. **By your will they were created and have their being.***

*From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another. **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.***

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

***By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.***

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven 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.

Celebrant

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said,

“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said,

“Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

***We celebrate his death and resurrection,
 as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of our Mothers, Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. AMEN

Lord's Prayer

Celebrant : *As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,*

264 The Lord's Prayer

Unison

Our Fa - ther, _____ which art in heav - en, _____ hal - low - ed

be _____ thy name, _____ Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done on earth _____ as it is in

heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly

bread. And for - give us our debts as we for-give our

debt-ors. And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de - liv-er us from

e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the

glo - ry, for - ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music #155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

This system shows the beginning of the anthem. The vocal line starts with a rest followed by the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -'. The piano accompaniment consists of a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style.

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is

This system continues the anthem. The vocal line has the lyrics 'lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - ov - er is'. The piano accompaniment continues with chords and moving lines in both hands.

sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

This system contains the central text of the anthem. The vocal line has the lyrics 'sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support for the vocal line.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This system concludes the anthem. The vocal line has the lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.'. The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

The Celebrant invites the people to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

Now the Feast and Celebration #470

The people stand as they are able.

LAMB OF GOD



1. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
2. Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear;
3. Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
4. Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:



have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The Celebrant says

The peace of God, which passes 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 among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

The Hymnal 1982 #597

Introduction



1 O day of peace that dim - ly shines through all our
2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the



hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and
fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly



love, de - liv - ered from our self - ish schemes. May swords of
graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e -

hate fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re -
 mies shall learn to love, all crea - tures find their true ac -

lease, till by God's grace our war - ring world shall see Christ's
 cord; the hope of peace shall be ful - filled, for all the

1 *Interlude*
 prom-ised reign of peace.
 earth shall know the (Lord.)

Final Ending
 Lord.

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Dismissal

Celebrant: *Let us go forth in the name of Christ.* Alleluia. Alleluia

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, (*Alleluia!*)**



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