THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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. 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, who was sacrificed 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 won for us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People:

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.

Then the Celebrant continues:

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, 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. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; 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 Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; 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. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Administration of Communion

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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 Savior 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.

The Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Altar flowers are given this morning to the Glory of God by the Gleason Family in memory of Burdette Gleason.

Assisting in the Preparation and Conduct of Worship

Altar Guild

Carol Sinclair, Jean Lammers, Liz Ward *Counters*Keith & Tina Pinkard *Ushers*Glenn Pfadenhauer & Chuck Allison

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The Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2010 8:00 am

HOLY EUCHARIST - Rite I

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church 432 Van Buren Street, Herndon, VA 20170 703-437-3790 www.saint-timothys.org

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation (standing)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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*.

Christ our Passover

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with 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 in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty god, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy 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 the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

First Reading Acts 11:1-18

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, `Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, `By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

Psalm 148

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Hallelujah!
         Praise the LORD from the heavens; *
          praise him in the heights.
          Praise him, all you angels of his; *
          praise him, all his host.
          Praise him, sun and moon; *
          praise him, all you shining stars.
          Praise him, heaven of heavens, *
          and you waters above the heavens.
          Let them praise the Name of the LORD; *
          for he commanded, and they were created.
          He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
          he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
          Praise the LORD from the earth, *
          you sea-monsters and all deeps;
          Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
          tempestuous wind, doing his will;
          Mountains and all hills, *
          fruit trees and all cedars;
          Wild beasts and all cattle, *
         creeping things and winged birds;
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          Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
          princes and all rulers of the world;
          Young men and maidens, *
          old and young together.
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Let them praise the Name of the LORD, * for his Name only is exalted,

his splendor is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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

The Gospel

John 13:31-35

 ${\it Celebrant:} \ \ \, {\it The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.}$

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Brad Rundlett, Rector

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.

The Prayers of the People

Leader: With faith in the Resurrection and Sovereignty of Jesus Christ, let us pray.

(Pause)

Leader: Gracious God, we pray for your Church. Fill us with Easter faith. Make us one. Give us new life. *Help us proclaim the Good News to all people.*

(Pause

Leader: Risen Savior, we pray for your world. Heal us. Direct us. Help us establish justice and peace for everyone.

(Pause)

Leader: Good Shepherd, we pray for the earth, for all living creatures, for the great beauty of your creation. Help us cherish and preserve what you have made for all generations. *Make us good stewards*.

(Pause

Leader: Spirit of Christ, we pray for all who suffer from injury, disease, poverty, human tumult, and natural disasters. Make us quick to respond, compassionate, and generous. *Help us relieve the suffering of your people*.

(Pause)

Leader: Spirit of God, we remember loved ones who have died, and pray for those who are dying now. Ease our passage from this life into everlasting life. Reunite us with the saints. Wipe away our tears. *Raise us up to sing your praises for ever.*

(Pause)

Leader: Blessed Redeemer, we pray for ourselves. In all times, places, and circumstances, help us to be like you, Lord Christ.

(Pause)

Leader: Great Provider, we thank you for life, love, hope, and joy; blessings too numerous to count, and too great to measure. We give you thanks and praise, O God.

(Pause)

Leader: With faith in the Resurrection, we pray to you Great Creator, Blessed Savior, Giver of Grace.

(Pause)

Leader: Enliven our faith, Lord Christ, that all may know the wonder of your love, and live in the power of your resurrection. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: And with thy spirit.

Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.