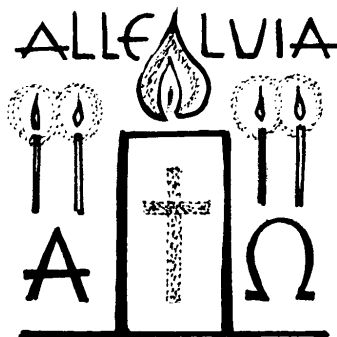




Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism

Easter Sunday 9 April 2023

Frederick Kieu Hayes



Donations can be made using the contactless card reader during the offertory hymn. There is a box by the entrance. Details of online options are in the news sheet and on our website.

We gather in God's name

*Organ music before the service: Saraband for the Morning of Easter -Herbert Howells
Please join in with all parts of the service printed in **bold** type.*

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**But the pains that he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

The Greeting

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Gloria

We sing this song of praise.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

**Glory to God in the Highest,
And peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, Heav'nly King, Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!**

**Lord Jesus, Christ, only son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

**For you alone are the Holy one,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the Glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest!

*The priest says the Collect, the special prayer for the day,
God of glory, by the raising of your Son
you have broken the chains of death and hell:
fill your Church with faith and hope;
for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open
in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.***

We hear God's Word

We sit for the Reading

Acts 10.34-43

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius. 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The choir sings This joyful Eastertide.

We stand

The Gospel

Matthew 28.1-10

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

I am the first and the last, says the Lord, and the living one;

I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore.

alleluia, alleluia

We turn to face the reader.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord.

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.'

So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit for the Sermon

The Liturgy of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidates

Frederick, his parents, godparents and sponsors come to the front. The congregation remains seated.

The priest addresses the whole congregation,

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for Frederick who has come to be baptized today.
Christ loves him and welcomes him into his Church.

Will you support him on his journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help him to live and grow within God's family?

We will.

The priest then asks the parents and godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Parents and godparents, you speak for Frederick today.
Will you pray for him and help him to follow Christ?
We will.

The Decision

The priest addresses Frederick's parents and godparents. We all join in the responses

We all wander far from God and lose our way:
Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.

In baptism we respond to his call. Therefore I ask:
Do you turn away from sin?

I do.

Do you reject evil?

I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I do.

Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

We are assured of God's forgiving love.

Signing with the Cross

*The priest marks Frederick with the sign of the cross using holy oil, saying,
Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.*

When Frederick has been signed with the cross, the priest says,

Do not be ashamed of Christ.

You are his for ever.

**Stand bravely with him
against all the powers of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

Amen.

*The ministers and baptism party go to the font. The congregation faces the font.
We affirm our faith.*

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made all things?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ,
who redeemed the world?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Amen.

The Baptism

*After Frederick has been baptized, we sing,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

The priest leads us in prayer.

We welcome Frederick

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Frederick, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father,
we welcome you.**

We return to our places.

The notices are given.

We celebrate Jesus in Bread and Wine

The priest introduces the Peace, where we greet one another in fellowship.

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples
and said Peace be with you.

Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.
Alleluia. The peace of the risen Christ be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia.

The deacon says,

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

During the offertory hymn the plate and card reader will be available for contactless and cash donations. Please indicate if you wish to make an offering.

**1. Love's redeeming work is done;
fought the fight, the battle won:
lo, our sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!**

**3. Lives again our glorious King;
where, O death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
where thy victory, O grave?**

**2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal!
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
death in vain forbids his rise;
Christ has opened Paradise.**

**4. Soar we now where Christ has led,
following our exalted head;
made like him, like him we rise;
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.**

**5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
thee we greet triumphant now;
hail, the Resurrection Thou!**

The priest takes the bread and wine and says the prayer of preparation.

Be present, be present, Lord Jesus Christ,
our risen high priest;
make yourself known in the breaking of bread.
Amen.

Please remain standing during the Eucharistic Prayer if it is comfortable for you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The priest praises God for his mighty acts, and we sing

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

The priest continues, recalling the Last Supper.

The Deacon says,

Great is the mystery of faith

We sing

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The priest continues, ending ... for ever and ever

We sing

Amen, amen, amen.

We say together the Lord's prayer,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

The priest breaks the consecrated bread and says,

Jesus says, I am the bread of life,
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
**Lord, our hearts hunger for you;
give us this bread always.**

We sing

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.**

We share in Communion

The people receive communion. Those who do not wish to receive are warmly invited to come forward for an individual blessing. Gluten free wafers are available.

Please come to the front and form a queue. Please be mindful of the safety of others and remain distanced. Communion will be administered in both kinds, on the hand and from the chalice (optional). Please do not intinct (dip) the wafer in the chalice.

Communion will be brought to those seated in the south aisle.

The priest says,

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

During the Communion we sing,

**I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me.**

**I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread.**

**As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.**

**The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here.**

**Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one.**

The choir sings: Christ the Lord is risen again - Rutter

Silence is kept

The priest says this prayer,

God of Life, who for our redemption
gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us
from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him
in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Sending Out

We sing the concluding hymn. Frederick is given a lighted candle.

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.**

**Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.**

**No more we doubt thee, glorious prince of life;
life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.**

The Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Alleluia. Christ is risen.
He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.
Amen.

God the Son, who in bursting the grave has won a glorious victory,
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.
Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples,
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.
Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
Frederick, you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
**Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

The Dismissal

The deacon says,

With the risen life of Christ within you,
go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Organ voluntary

Finale from Organ Symphony No. 6 - Widor

Please remain standing until the choir and ministers have left.

You are warmly invited to stay after the service for refreshments.

If you are a newcomer or visitor we would love to meet you.

Please take this Service Sheet home with you.