

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
(The Fifth Sunday after Easter)
Sunday 14 May 2023



**Southwell
Minster**
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

11.15am Sung Eucharist

Organ Prelude: *Passacaglia in D minor*, BUXWV 161, Dieterich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

Setting: *Mass in G*, Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

VIDI AQUAM sung by the choir during which the President sprinkles the congregation with the waters of baptism, and the altar party make their way to the sanctuary.

Cantor I saw water

All

flo-wing from the right side of the tem - ple, al - le - lu - ia:
it brought God's life and his sal - va - tion, and the peo - ple sang in joy - ful praise,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:
and his mercy endures for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

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HYMN

Jesus lives! thy terrors now

(NEH 112)

THE LORD'S PRAYER, PRAYER OF PREPARATION AND KYRIE ELEISON

COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

O Lord, from whom all good things do come;
Grant to us thy humble servants,
that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good,
and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

FIRST READING *read by Margaret Waddington*

Acts 17: 22–31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring."

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.'

GRADUAL *sung by the choir*

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; e'en the Spirit of Truth. And ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Words: John 14: 15-18

Music: Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

GOSPEL READING

John 14: 15–21

Jesus said: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

THE NICENE CREED

(page 4 of Service Book)

SERMON *given by the Revd Dr Richard Frith, Canon Precentor*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which the table is prepared for Communion and a collection taken*

Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

(NEH 265)

INTERCESSION

CONFESSION

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

COMMUNION

MOTET *sung by the choir during communion*

Ave verum corpus natum ex
Maria Virgine vere passum
immolatum in cruce pro homine.
Cujus latus perforatum unda
fluxit et sanguine. Esto nobis
praegustatum in mortis examine.

Words: Latin, 14th century

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin
Mary, who truly suffered upon the
cross for mankind: from whose pierced
side there came forth water and blood;
give us now, and at the time of our
death, yourself to be our food.*

Music: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-91)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

FINAL HYMN

Thine be the glory

(NEH 120)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, GLORIA IN EXCELSIS and THE BLESSING

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Allegro (from Concerto in C, BWV 594)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

This afternoon at 3pm will be our annual **Rogation Service**, immediately followed by the procession to **NTU Brackenhurst**, blessing the crops, horticulture and livestock as we go.

The next of our monthly Book of Common Prayer Sung Eucharists will take place on **Sunday 11 June** at 11.15am.

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