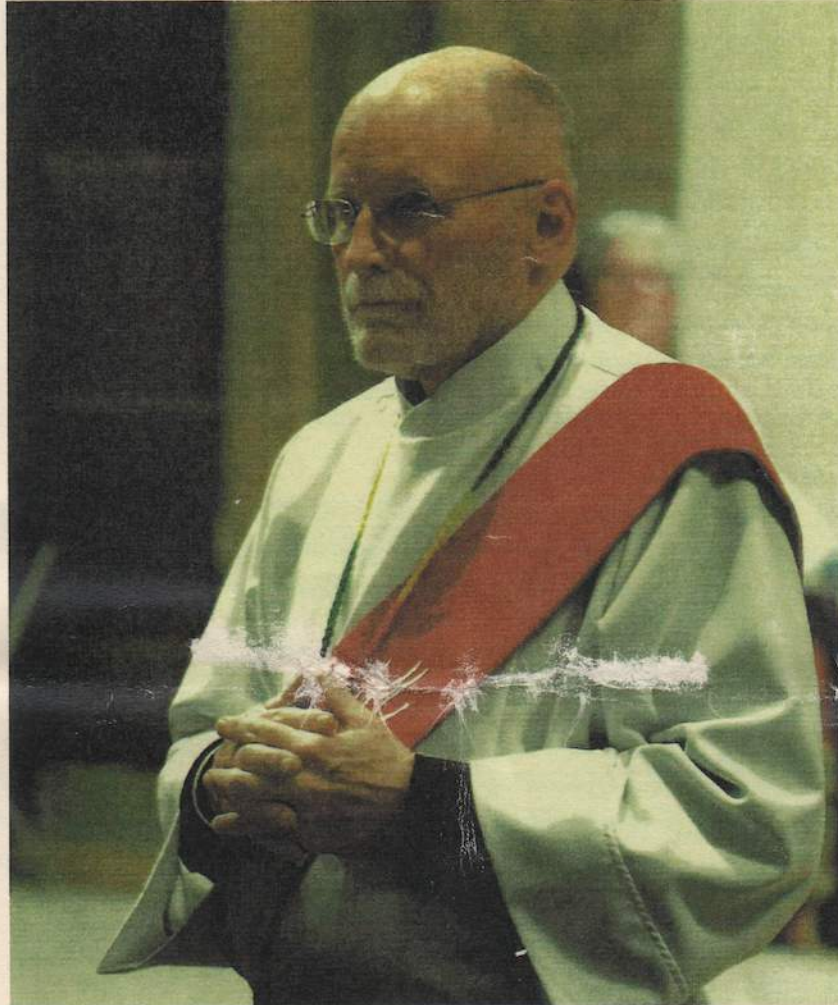


The Rev. Robert Davidson



St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh

June 19, 2021

12:30 p.m.



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Burial of the Dead *according to the Book of Common Prayer*

Remembrances

The Burial Sentences *said by the priest in procession.*

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.

Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die.

And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.

After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God.

I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies.

For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord.

So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray. O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Robert, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

seated. **The Lesson** Reader: A reading from the prophet Isaiah. (61:1-3)

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion – to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord to display his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm Psalm 23, *read by all in unison*

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Epistle Reader: A reading from the Book of Revelation.

(21:2-7)

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; 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. Those who conquer will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my children.

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

standing. Hymn: For all the saints



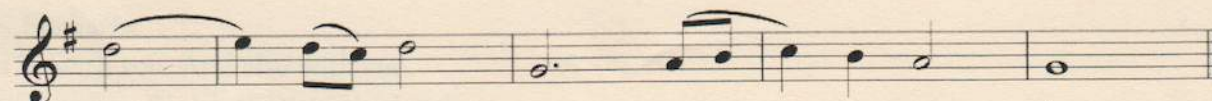
1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, — who thee by
2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; — thou, Lord, their
3. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the
4. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of



faith be — fore the world con — fessed, thy
cap — tain in the well — fought fight. —
ear the dis — tant tri — umph song, and
pearl streams in the count — less host —



Name, O — Je — sus be for — ev — er — blest,
Thou, in the dark — ness drear, the one — true — Light,
hearts are — brave a — gain, and arms — are — strong,
sing — ing to Fa — ther, Son, and Ho — ly — Ghost:



Al — le — lu — ia, Al — le — lu — ia.

The Gospel

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

(6:37-40)

People Glory to you, O Lord.

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

seated. The Sermon

standing. The Apostles' Creed and Lord's Prayer

Priest In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

For our brother Robert, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life." Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Robert and dry the tears of those who weep.

People Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow. **Hear us, Lord.**

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life. **Hear us, Lord.**

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven. **Hear us, Lord.**

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit;

give him fellowship with all your saints. **Hear us, Lord.**

He was nourished with your Body and Blood;

grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom. **Hear us, Lord.**

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.

Silence may be kept.

Priest Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Robert, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Father's love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages. Amen.

standing. The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

The Offertory

standing, Hymn: St. Patrick's Breastplate



1. I bind un - to — my - self — to - day — the strong Name of — the Tri - ni -
 2. I bind un - to — my - self — the pow'r of the — great love of cher - u -
 3. I bind un - to — my - self — the Name, the strong Name of — the Tri - ni -

ty, by in - vo - ca - tion of the same, the Three in — One, and One in
 bim, the sweet "Well done" in judg - ment's hour, the ser - vice of — the ser - a -
 ty, by in - vo - ca - tion of the same, the Three in — One, and One in

Three; the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to guide, — his shield to
 phim. Con - fes - sors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triachs' prayers, the pro - phets'
 Three. Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal Fa - ther, Spi - rit,

ward; the word — of — God — to give me
 scrolls, all good — deeds — done — un - to the
 Word: praise to — the — Lord — of my sal -

speech, His heaven - ly — host — to be my guard.
 Lord, — the pur - i - ty — of vir - gin souls.
 va - tion, sal - va - tion — is — of Christ the Lord.

The Holy Eucharist

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *Here a Proper Preface is said.* Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

The Eucharistic prayer continues on page 362 of the BCP.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

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

To receive the Body of Christ, at the usher's guidance approach the altar. The celebrant will place the host in your hand.

Hymn during communion: Be thou my vision



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; all else benought to me, save that thou
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er with thee and thou with me,
3. High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won, may I reach hea - ven's joys bright hea - ven's



art; thou my best thought by day or by night,
Lord; thou my great Fa - ther, thine own may I be,
Sun! Heart of my heart, what ev - er be - fall,



wa - king or sleep - ing, thy pre - sence my light.
thou in my dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vi - sion, O ru - ler of all.

After communion, all pray together:

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Commendation

Priest Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,

People where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Priest You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

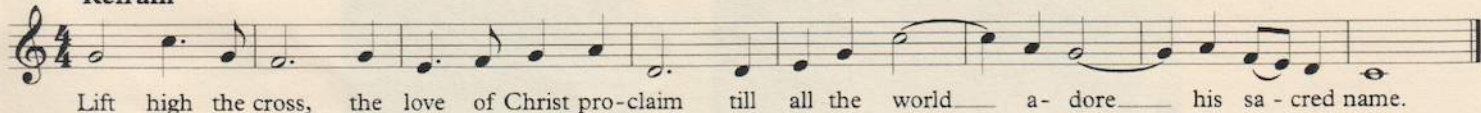
The Priest, facing the remains, says

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Robert. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.

The Priest blesses the people.

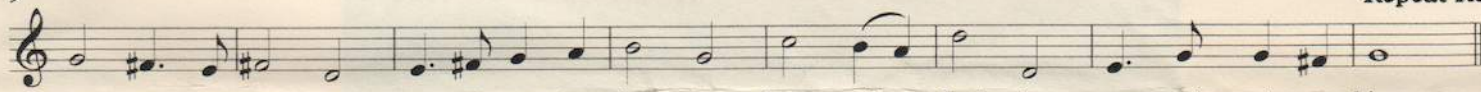
standing, all sing: Hymn: Lift high the cross

Refrain



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Repeat Refrain



- 1.Led on their way by this tri-um-phant sign, the hosts of God in con-que-ri-ty ranks com-bine.
- 2.Each new-born ser-vant of the cru-ci-fied bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
- 3.O Lord, once lif-ted on the glo-ri-ous tree, as thou hast pro-mised, draw the world to thee.
- 4.So shall our song of tri-umph e-ver be: praise to the Cru-ci-fied for vic-to-ry.

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

