

**CCQF WORSHIP FOR THE GREAT 50 DAYS OF EASTER  
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY  
5th Sunday of Easter Online Service w/ Children's Story  
May 10, 2020**

**WELCOME --**

**OPENING SENTENCES**

Rector: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!!!

**People: THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED!!! ALLELUIA!!!**

Rector: The Angel said, "Jesus isn't here, because..."

**People: HE HAS BEEN RAISED FROM THE DEAD."**

Rector: "Now, go tell His disciples that ..."

**People: JESUS IS ALIVE. ALLELUIA!**

**SONG OF PRAISE "Here I am to worship" Katherine Browne, CCQF Minister of Music**

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes, let me see, Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You

**CHORUS: Here I am to worship, Here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely, Altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me**

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted, Glorious in heaven above

Humbly You came to the earth You created, All for love's sake became poor

**CHORUS**

Well, I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross

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**THE FIRST READING 1 Peter 2:2-10 Reader: Kim Wentz**

<sup>2</sup>Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation,  
<sup>3</sup>now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.<sup>4</sup>As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him—<sup>5</sup>you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house<sup>(a)</sup> to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For in Scripture it says:

"See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."<sup>(b)</sup>

<sup>7</sup>Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe,

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,"<sup>(c)</sup> and,

"A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall."<sup>(d)</sup>

They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. <sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. THE WORD OF THE LORD. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE READING FROM PROVERBS** *Leader: Don Peck*

Leader: I was a child to my father.

**People: I WAS CHERISHED BY MY MOTHER.** (*Proverbs 4:3*)

Leader: My child, keep your father's commands, and

**People: DO NOT FORSAKE YOUR MOTHER'S TEACHING.** (*Proverbs 20:20*)

Leader: May your father and mother rejoice

**People: MAY SHE WHO GAVE YOU BIRTH, BE JOYFUL.** (*Proverbs 23:25*)

**THE GOOD NEWS OF THE RESURRECTION from Matthew 23:36-39 & KID STORY** 😊

Jesus and his audience stood on the top of the mountain, over looking the city of Jerusalem. He warned them, saying, "Unless you return to the wisdom and right living of God, you will face ruin and destruction." Then Jesus looked over the Holy city of Jerusalem, and Jesus cried, calling out,<sup>37</sup> "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you. I love you so. How often I have longed to gather you people together, as a mother hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing. <sup>38</sup>When you turn away from God, your house is left to you desolate. <sup>39</sup>For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'

**HERE ENDS THE READING. People: Thanks be to God.**

**PARENTS & KIDS—Discussion questions and activity page will be found on pp 5 & 6 of this bulletin.**

**SERMON** *The Rev. John Donnelly, Rector/Pastor*

**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: Litany for Mother's Day, based on Proverbs 31**

**Leader: Susan Evancho, Mother, nurse, & teacher**

*[Note: Tradition calls for the omission of the confession on days celebrating Eastertide--Fr. John]*

*Fr. John: Today our Prayers of the People focus upon the calling of motherhood. Let us pray.*

Leader: A woman is a blessing to her husband and children.

**Men: She brings her husband good, not harm; all the days of her life.**

Leader: She welcomes all children, for they are gifts from God.

**All: She often works until dark; she provides food for her family.**

Leader: Her words are wise; her compassion knows no boundaries.

**All: She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.**

Leader: She manages her household and nurtures her family.

**All: She clothes them with love.**

Leader: Her family rejoices in her diligence and faithfulness.

**All: She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.**

Leader: When hurt by those she loves

**All: She chooses forgiveness instead of revenge.**

Leader: She teaches her children through daily example.

**All: She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.**

Leader: Sometimes she also works outside the home to provide for her family

**All: Her love is a living sacrifice for her family.**

**CONCLUDING PRAYERS—Fr. John**

**THE PEACE** We are going to exchange the Peace now. Some of us are sitting with family members, and others of us are not. For those of us, who are alone, you can exchange the “peace “with Jesus by making the peace sign;the others of you may exchange the peace with one another.

Priest: May the Peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

**PEOPLE: AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

**THE OFFERING**

**“All good things come from you O Lord, and from what is yours, we give back to you.”**

**THE BLESSING**

**CONCLUDING SONG** *“Another Alleluia: For Easter: Solo: Patti Doyle*

*The congregation is invited to join in singing the chorus:*

*“Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!”*

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**DISMISSAL**

Fr. John: Let us go forth rejoicing in the Risen Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 People: **THANKS BE TO GOD. ALLELIUIA! ALLELUIA!**

**OPTIONAL ORGAN SOLO** by Adam Kowel, Organist, St. Peter's Church, Oxford

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COMING SOON-CCQF ONLINE BIBLE STUDY GROUP. We will be studying the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians, which is a guide book to finding JOY IN ADVERSITY. We will meet for 4 weeks, by teleconference using webex so that we can see one another. If St. Paul could find joy in prison, then we can find JOY IN QUARENTINE.**

Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm, May 14-June 4. **No books to buy. Minimal homework. No place to drive. SIGN UPS ARE REQUIRED by no later than May 13.**

**To sign up, email : Leader: Fr. John <<[fjccqf@gmail.com](mailto:fjccqf@gmail.com)>> Assistant: Sue Evancho <<[nsevan@yahoo.com](mailto:nsevan@yahoo.com)>>**

**LET US HONOR OUR GRADS**

We are exploring how we might honor our that this spring, especially our HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES, who are more than disappointed that this spring semester/term has been canceled. So, if you would to be part of an ad hoc task force to honor our CCQF grads and/or family members, contact Fr. John [fjccqf@gmail.org](mailto:fjccqf@gmail.org) MEANWHILE, IF THERE IS a grad in your family (nursery school, elementary school, middle school, high school, college, graduate school), please send the following information to [ccqf@att.net](mailto:ccqf@att.net)

1. Full name of grad \_\_\_\_\_
2. Your name & email \_\_\_\_\_
3. Grad's relationship to you (such as Parent, sibling, aunt, uncle, grandparent) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Graduating from \_\_\_ Pre School \_\_\_ Elementary School  
 \_\_\_ Middle School \_\_\_ High School \_\_\_ Grad school
- 4.a. For college or grad school or other: degree or certificate earned. \_\_\_\_\_
5. What will grad being doing come fall? Work? Further education? \_\_\_\_\_

Parishioners, Spring is in the air and it's time for **our annual church spring cleanup**. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are going to perform the cleanup a little differently the year. Basically, we will change from a one day congregation wide cleanup, to an **individual family cleanup**. Each family can come to church and perform a job that's needed. This will limit exposure with one another and also give families the flexibility to work when time permits. Some work needed to be done is as follows:

Stick and twig removal   Raking   Weeding and gardening   Shrub trimming  
Garbage cleanup   General cleaning

Sticks, twigs and leaves can be dumped in the woods towards the edge of the church yard (close to Hogsback). You'll see a pile from previous years.

Michael and I have cancelled the garbage pickup to save the church a little money. The dumpster is locked, so garbage can be left in bags near the parish hall door and I'll bring the bags to my house. The church can really use everyone's help. Let's spruce up the Lord's house and get ready to re-open the church looking her best.

Questions? **Please call or text David Stepeck at (203) 394-1951.**

**YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED.** Dear CCQF Parishioners and friends, During this time of self quarantine and no Sunday service, the church is still required to fulfill our financial obligations and pay our bills. Your continued and needed donations are desperately needed and always appreciated. CCQF parishioners can send a check to the church or pay online at their bank. Instructions are below:

To pay online at your local bank:

- 1) Add PAYEE: Christ Church Quaker Farms
- 2) Add address: 470 Quaker Farms Rd
- 3) Add address: Oxford, CT 06478
- 4) Add account number: your last name, first name and/or church number
- 5) Create a payment like you usually do to pay your bills. Write your name and church number in the memo section online. Your bank will create a paper check and mail it to church like your regular bills.

Or simply send a check to the church's above address. Write your name and church number in the memo on the check. No "Sunday date" is needed; we will credit your account on the day we receive your check.

If you have any questions, call or text David Stepeck at (203) 394-1951

### **KID STORY DISCUSSION & ACTIVITY**

1. **Jesus was warning people to return to God. Did He love these people?**
2. **What did Jesus say would happen if they did not return to God's ways? (destruction, harm)**
3. **Our Governor and parents tell us that we must "stay safe by staying at home", wearing masks, etc. What would happen to us if we disobey them?**
4. **Some people are not staying at home and/or wearing masks. What do you think will happen to them?**
5. **Pray that people would want to stay safe and healthy.**

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