

U2Charist

August 4, 2024
Dublin Irish Festival
Dublin, Ohio

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church



Almighty and most merciful God,
you commanded us to offer food to the hungry and
satisfy the needs of the afflicted;
Grant that your holy and life giving spirit may so move
every human heart that
following in the steps of your blessed Son
we may give of ourselves in the service of others until
poverty and hunger cease in all the world and all things
are reconciled in the reign of Christ. Amen.

About the Service

This U2charist is a communion service using the music of U2 as the hymns. The band U2 is from Ireland, and their music is laced through with biblical and religious themes. U2 allows churches to use their music as long as all donations go to support the Millennium Development Goals. Our donations today will go to the Dublin Food Pantry.



The U2charist began a little over 10 years ago with Episcopal churches that discovered the link between so many of the lyrics of U2 songs and the message of the Gospel. For our service today, we will be using the following songs:

The opening hymn is *It's a Beautiful Day*, and today is a beautiful day!

Our Psalm is U2's version of Psalm 40.

The gradual hymn is *I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For*: a song about the search for meaning in life.

The offertory hymn is *Where the Streets Have No Name*, because that is where God calls us to ministry, even in the remote areas of need around the world.

Communion hymns are *Yahweh* and *Ordinary Love*, written for the film *Mandela-Long Walk to Freedom*.

The closing hymn is *Pride (In the Name of Love)*, a song about martyrs, specifically Jesus and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Holy Eucharist

The Word of God

Opening Hymn—*It's a Beautiful Day*

The heart is a bloom, shoots up through stony ground
But there's no room, no space to rent in this town
You're out of luck and the reason that you had to care,
The traffic is stuck and you're not moving anywhere.
You thought you'd found a friend to take you out of this place
Someone you could lend a hand in return for grace.

It's a beautiful day; Sky falls, you feel like
It's a beautiful day; Don't let it get away

You're on the road but you've got no destination
You're in the mud, in the maze of her imagination
You love this town even if it doesn't ring true
You've been all over and it's been all over you

It's a beautiful day; Don't let it get away
It's a beautiful day! Don't let it get away

Touch me' take me to that other place
Teach me; I know I'm not a hopeless case

See the world in green and blue
See China right in front of you
See the canyons broken by a cloud
See the tuna fleets clearing the sea out
See the Bedouin fires at night
See the oil fields at first light
See the bird with a leaf in her mouth
After the flood all the colors came out

It was a beautiful day; Don't let it get away
A beautiful day; Don't let it get away

Touch me; take me to that other place
Reach me; I know I'm not a hopeless case

What you don't have, you don't need it now
What you don't know, you can feel it somehow
What you don't have, you don't need it now
You don't need it now
Was a Beautiful day

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

A reading from the book of Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'"

And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew

lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

After the reading, the Reader may say

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

40

I waited patiently for the Lord
He inclined and heard my cry
He lifted me up out of the pit
Out of the miry clay
I will sing – sing a new song
I will sing – sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long – how long,
How long – how long
To sing this song

He set my feet upon a rock
And made my footsteps firm
Many will see, many will see and hear
I will sing – sing a new song
I will sing – sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long – how long,
How long – how long
To sing this song

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of

your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn—*I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For*

I have climbed highest mountains
I have run through the fields
Only to be with you
Only to be with you

I have run
I have crawled
I have scaled these city walls
These city walls
Only to be with you

But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
I have kissed honey lips

Felt the healing in her fingertips
It burned like a fire
This burning desire

I have spoke with the tongue of angels
I have held the hand of a devil
It was warm in the night
I was cold as a stone

But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
I believe in the Kingdom Come
Then all the colors will bleed into one
Bleed into one
But yes I'm still running

You broke the bonds
And you loosed the chains
Carried the cross
Of my shame
Oh my shame
You know I believe it
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for
But I still haven't found what I'm looking for

Gospel: John 6:24-35

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of

God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Deacon The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Catherine Duffy

All stand.

The 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

Comfort us, gracious God in our anxiety and worry, and grant us such rest and renewal that we may be strengthened to share in your reconciling and healing work of bringing peace to the world, as we pray: You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Your Church has been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus as the cornerstone: Break down the dividing walls within your Body and be our peace, that we may act no longer as strangers and aliens but as citizens with the saints and all the members of the household of God. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Give us rest from all our enemies and guide our leaders to be instruments of peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Bring your reconciling love and infinite peace to all who suffer from any trouble or injustice throughout the world, that they may be touched by your healing presence. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Let your faithfulness and love be with us and among all with whom we live, that no one shall be a stranger or alien, but everyone may live together in your new humanity. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Touch with your healing grace all who are sick, anxious or fearful. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

You have promised that you will not take your love from your people, let those who have died rest in your love and be given an eternal name. You are our God;

Our savior and the rock of our salvation.

Celebrant concludes with this Collect.

You are our peace, O God: Give us renewing rest that we may rise daily to share in your healing and reconciling work, through Jesus Christ our Ruler and Shepherd, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Offertory Hymn—Where the Streets Have No Name

I wanna run
I want to hide
I wanna tear down the walls
That hold me inside
I wanna reach out
And touch the flame
Where the streets have no name
I want to feel
Sunlight on my face
I see the dust cloud disappear
Without a trace
I want to take shelter from the poison rain

Where the streets have no name

Where the streets have no name
Where the streets have no name
We're still building
Then burning down love
Burning down love
And when I go there
I go there with you
It's all I can do

The city's aflood
And our love turns to rust
We're beaten and blown by the wind
Trampled in dust
I'll show you a place
High on a desert plain
Where the streets have no name
Where the streets have no name
Where the streets have no name
We're still building
Then burning down love
Burning down love
And when I go there
I go there with you
It's all I can do

Our love turns to rust
We're beaten and blown by the wind
Blown by the wind
Oh, and I see our love
See our love turn to rust
Oh, we're beaten and blown by the wind
Blown by the wind
Oh, when I go there
I go there with you
It's all I can do

The offering this morning will be donated to the Dublin Food Pantry to assist in its efforts to combat poverty in our own neighborhood. Checks may be made out to The Dublin Food Pantry.

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Lord of all creation,
we praise you for your goodness and your love.
When we turned away you did not reject us.
You came to meet us in your Son,
welcomed us as your children
and prepared a table where we might feast with you.

Speaker, Word and Breath, Blessed Trinity:
with your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the song of heaven,
for ever praising you and saying:

Celebrant and People

**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.

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

**He opened wide his arms upon the cross
and, with love stronger than death,
he made the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

**Lord Jesus, we bless you:
you are the bread of life.**

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

**Lord Jesus, we bless you:
you are the vine of life.**

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again.

Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God
People **As we eat and drink these holy gifts, make us one in Christ, our Risen Lord.**

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

Please proceed to the communion station nearest you. If you choose to take communion, you may do so in several ways:

- *Consume the bread first and then sip from the cup.*
- *Intinction is strongly discouraged however if you choose to intinct, please simply leave the wafer in your hands. The chalice bearer will dip the wafer for you then hand it back to you.*
- *Communion in one kind, or both, is acceptable. If you prefer to not receive the wine, you may proceed to your seat after receiving the bread.*
- *If you would like to receive a blessing only, please cross your hands over your chest as a signal to the ministers.*
- *If you want a gluten free wafer, please go to Father Jason's station and place your palms down when you approach him to signal for gluten free.*

Communion Hymns

Yahweh

Take these shoes
Click-clacking down some dead end street
Take these shoes
And make them fit
Take this shirt
Polyester white trash made in nowhere
Take this shirt

And make it clean, clean
Take this soul
Stranded in some skin and bones
Take this soul
And make it sing, sing
Yahweh, Yahweh
Always pain before a child is born
Yahweh, Yahweh
Still, I'm waiting for the dawn

Take these hands
Teach them what to carry
Take these hands
Don't make a fist, no
Take this mouth
So quick to criticize
Take this mouth
Give it a kiss

Yahweh, Yahweh
Always pain before the child is born
Yahweh, Yahweh
Still, I'm waiting for the dawn
Still waiting for the dawn, the sun is coming up
The sun is coming up on the ocean
This love is like a drop in the ocean
This love is like a drop in the ocean

Yahweh, Yahweh
Always pain before a child is born
Yahweh, tell me now
Why the dark before the dawn?

Take this city
A city should be shining on a hill
Take this city
If it be your will
What no man can own, no man can take
Take this heart
Take this heart
Take this heart

And make it break

Ordinary Love

The sea wants to kiss the golden shore
The sunlight warms your skin
All the beauty that's been lost before
Wants to find us again
I can't fight you any more
It's you I'm fighting for
The sea throws rocks together
But time leaves us polished stones
We can't fall any further if
We can't feel ordinary love
And we cannot reach any higher if
We can't deal with ordinary love

Birds fly high in the summer sky
And rest on the breeze
The same wind will take care of you and I
We'll build our house in the trees
Your heart is on my sleeve
Did you put it there with a magic marker?
For years I would believe
That the world couldn't wash it away
'Cause we can't fall any further if
We can't feel ordinary love
And we cannot reach any higher if
We can't deal with ordinary love

Are we tough enough
For ordinary love

We can't fall any further if
We can't feel ordinary love
And we cannot reach any higher if
We can't deal with ordinary love
Repeat.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,

you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant gives a blessing at this time.

Life is short, and we do not have long to gladden the hearts of those who make this earthly pilgrimage with us. So, be swift to love, make haste to do kindness, shower abundant hospitality on friend and stranger, and walk in mercy that you might find the path of justice. And may the blessings of Almighty God, the speaker, word, and breath, be with you and those you love now and forever. Amen.

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn—Pride (In the Name of Love)

One man come in the name of love
One man come and go
One come he to justify
One man to overthrow

In the name of love
What more in the name of love
In the name of love
What more in the name of love

One man caught on a barbed wire fence
One man he resist
One man washed on an empty beach.
One man betrayed with a kiss

In the name of love
What more in the name of love
In the name of love
What more in the name of love

Early morning, April 4
Shot rings out in the Memphis sky
Free at last, they took your life
They could not take your pride

In the name of love
What more in the name of love
In the name of love

What more in the name of love
In the name of love
What more in the name of love..

Thank you for joining us this morning.

Upcoming Events

Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 11th at all services. Back to school prayers and Blessing of Backpacks as part of our worship service in the fall of each year can offer encouragement to the excited and comfort to the anxious. So bring your backpack, knapsack, messenger bag, etc. to church to receive a blessing and a small St. Patrick charm.

Ministry Open House on Sunday, August 25th after both services. Come and learn how to live the good news! Many opportunities to share your time and talent within our ministries.

St. Patrick's Program Year begins September 8th! Sunday Services are at 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and starting on 9/10 at 4:30 p.m. Join us for Adult Education and Sunday School after the 9:30 a.m. service , and Youth Group at 5:30 p.m.. Check out our webpage and on Facebook for more details.

Blessing of the Animals on September 29th at the 4:00 p.m. service! Bring you furry or not so furry animal friends to church with you and get them blessed in honor of St. Francis!

Thank you for joining us in worship today.

Our liturgy follows *The Book of Common Prayer 1979 of the Episcopal Church*, and is inspired by the Irish and New Zealand *Books of Common Prayer*. Prayers of the People are from *Planning for Rites & Rituals: A Resource for the Episcopal Church (Church Publishing, New York, NY)*.

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Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jason Emerson
Deacon: The Rev. Vahagn Azizyan
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8:00 & 9:30am on Sunday

Starting September 10th: 4:00 pm on Sunday

12:00 noon on Wednesday



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