Year B. Easter 6 5 May 2024
Collect
God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us
he may raise us to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Acts 10. 44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptising these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Psalm 98

Sing to the Lord a / new / song :

for he / has done / marvellous / things. His own right hand and his / holy / arm: have / won for / him the / victory. The Lord has made known / his sal/vation: his deliverance has he openly shown / in the / sight of the / nations. He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the / house of / Israel: and all the ends of the earth have seen the sal/vation / of our / God. Sound praises to the Lord, / all the / earth: break into / singing / and make / music. Make music to the Lord / with the / lyre: with the lyre / and the / voice of / melody. With trumpets and the / sound of the / horn : sound praises be/fore the / Lord, the / King. Let the sea thunder and / all that / fills it : the world and / all that / dwell up/on it. Let the rivers / clap their / hands: and let the hills ring out together before the Lord, for he / comes to / judge the / earth. In righteousness shall he / judge the / world: and the / peo/ples with / equity.

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

John 15. 9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.