CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Grow in Faith. Live in Hope. Share God's Love.

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The Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024 + 10:30 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

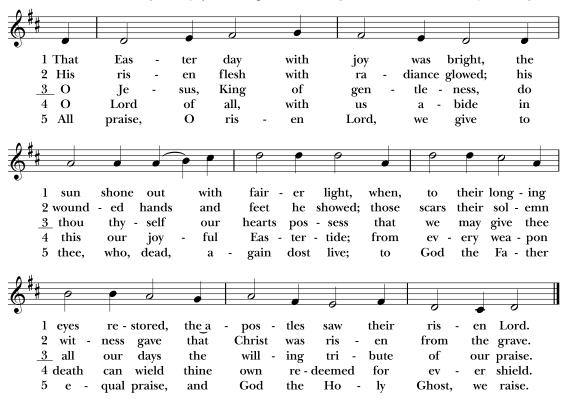
As the people gather before the service begins, we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.

O God, we seek to be a people of the resurrection, a people of Easter joy. Be known among us; grant us the assurance of your presence, your love, and your renewing power. Through your Spirit, reveal to us your purpose in our lives; in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN "That Easter day with joy was bright" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



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Music: Puer nobis, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY Remain standing.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS Remain standing; everyone sings.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (4:32–35).

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

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PSALM 133

The cantor sings the antiphon and the people repeat. All then sing the psalm.



-Setting: Fredrick Brabson



-Setting: Jerome Webster Meachen

- 2 It is like fine oil upon the <u>head</u> * that runs down upon the <u>beard</u>,
- 3 Upon the beard of <u>Aaron</u>; * and runs down upon the collar of his <u>robe</u>.

Antiphon (sung by all)

- 4 It is like the dew of <u>Hermon</u> *
 That falls upon the hills of <u>Zion</u>.
- For there the LORD has ordained the <u>blessing</u>: * life for ever<u>more</u>.

Antiphon (sung by all)

SECOND LESSON

A reading from the First Letter of John (1:1–2:2).

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN "We walk by faith, and not by sight" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt.
 Music: St. Botolph, Gordon Slater (1896-1979)

GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (20:19–31).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

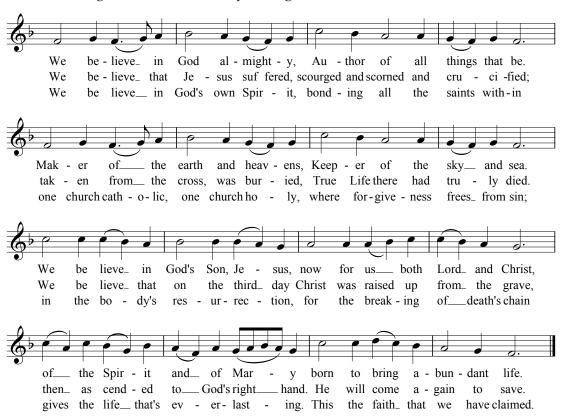
When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Iews, Iesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Iesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

CREED *Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.*



-Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993), alt.

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Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811–1887)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Remain standing.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God:

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the needs and concerns of this congregation: for those in the military,

especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends, our parishioners whom we now name, and those we hold

in our hearts. We pray for

THE BAKER FAMILY ANN McClain SHAROLYN Sprigg

GAIL Cox DON McConnell LO Starck

MARY Davis

DALE Oakley

TROY & GEORGETTE Suggs

LOIS & RON Dearolf

KENT Parish

DENISE & ROGER Tibedo

CONNIE DeWitt

THE PARKER FAMILY

ALICE & FRED Wegmann

DANA & DEWELL Downey ALLAN Philp MICHELE Welsh

DOUG Embler MARILYN Randall and

THE GREELEY FAMILY THE RICHARDS FAMILY DON White

MARGE Hudson TOM Schlitt
PATRICK Hundley CAROL Smith

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those who

are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your

eternal kingdom; and we remember their families and friends who grieve.

Silence.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace

I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy

Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. Amen.

PEACE Standing.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Seated.

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

ANTHEM Sung by the Choir.

Alleluia! Christ Is Risen!

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise: Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.

He, who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the king of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, we are risen! Shed upon us heavenly grace, Rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face.

Alleluia! Glory be to God on high: Alleluia! to the Savior who has gained the victory.

—Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807–1885), alt. Music: Stuttgart, melody from Psalmodia Sacra, 1715 arr. James Kirkby (b. 1949)

HYMN "Come, risen Lord" Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



—Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt. Music: *Rosedale*, Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

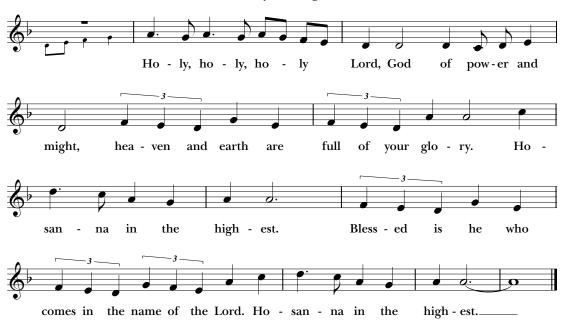
People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

Everyone sings:



—Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

> He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

All: AMEN. Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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

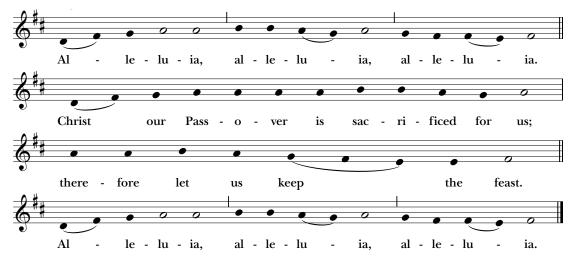
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Everyone sings:



-Setting: From New Plainsong, David Hurd (b. 1950)

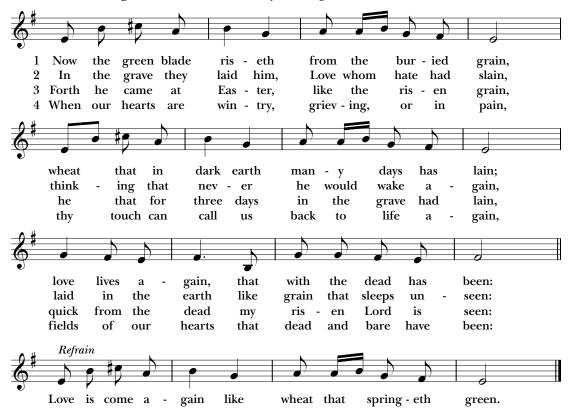
INVITATION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God, holy Gifts for God's holy People.

Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and died and was raised for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

DURING COMMUNION

HYMN "Now the green blade riseth" Everyone sings.



—Words: John Macleod Campbell Crum (1872–1958), alt. Music: *Noël nouvelet*, medieval French carol

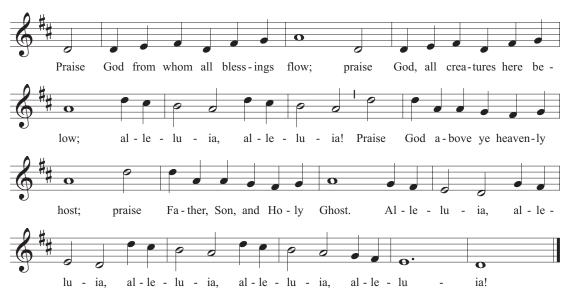
HYMN "Alleluia" Everyone sings.



2. Christ is risen! 3. Alleluia!

-Words and Music: Traditional

DOXOLOGY Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



— Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711), with alleluias.

Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesang, 1623

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION Remain standing.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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.

SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR Remain standing.

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that

those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body

and blood. We are who are many are one body,

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

BLESSING Remain standing.

Celebrant: May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the

resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

Amen.

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen*.

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you into your eternal inheritance. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

HYMN "The day of resurrection" Remain standing; everyone sings.



-Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: Ellacombe, melody from Gesangbuch...der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen katolischen Hofkapelle, 1784, alt.; adapt. Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1863

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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