

Second Sunday of Easter Service
Rite II
10:30 am

The Word of God

Prelude-Air- G.F. Handel

Wendi Gustafson- Organ

Opening Hymn- *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing (v. 1,3,&4)*

Hymnal 205

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Officiant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

Officiant 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

Hymnal S204

1. Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

2. We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks

to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly King,

God the Father Al-might - y. 4. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,



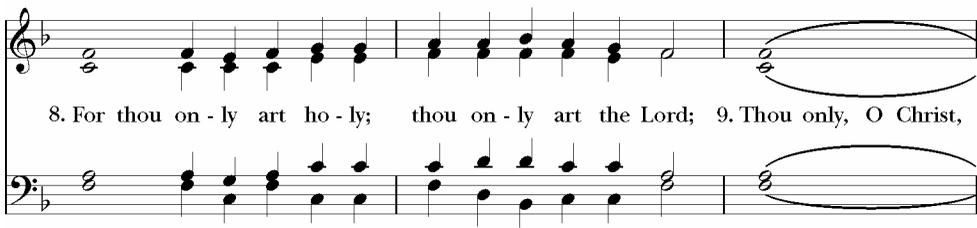
5. that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy up - on us.



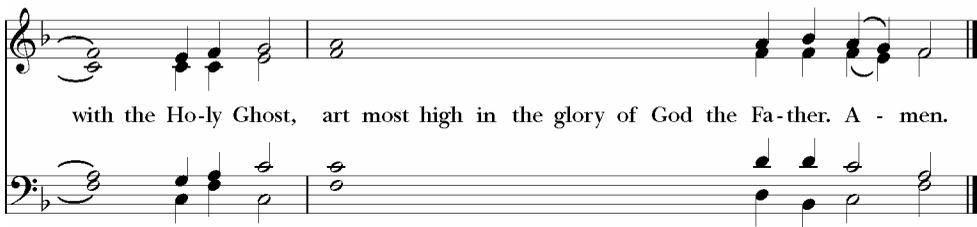
6. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



7. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mercy up - on us.



8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. Thou only, O Christ,



with the Ho-ly Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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.**

All are seated.

The Lessons

The Old Testament

Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2:14a, 22-32)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.

You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

The Psalm Appointed

Reader The portion of the Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 16. Let us read in unison.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *

I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

*All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.
But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.
Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.
My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.
I have set the Lord always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.
For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.*

The Epistle

A reading from the first letter of Peter (1:3-9)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

All stand

Response - *Te Deum Laudamus*

All

1. You are God: we praise you; You are the Lord: we ac -
 claim you; 2. You are the e - ter - nal Fa - ther: All cre - a -
 tion wor-ships you. 3. To you all an - gels, all the powers
 of hea - ven, Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim, sing in end -
All
 less praise: 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly -
 ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth
II
 are full of your glo - ry. 5. The glo - rious com - pan - y
I
 of a - pos - tles praise you. The no - ble fel - low - ship
II
 of pro - phets praise you. The white-robed ar - my
I
 of mar - tyrs praise you. 6. Through - out the world
II
 the ho - ly Church ac - claims you; Fa - ther, of ma - jes - ty
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 un - bound - ed, your true and on - ly Son, wor - thy of all wor - ship,

II

 and the Ho - ly Spi - rit, ad - vo - cate and guide.

All

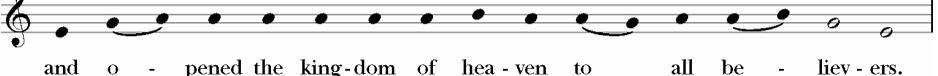
 7. You, Christ, are the king of glo-ry, the e - ter-nal Son of the Fa-ther.

I

 8. When you be - came man to set us free you did not shun

II

 the Vir - gin's womb. 9. You o - ver-came the sting of death


 and o - pened the king-dom of hea - ven to all be - liev - ers.

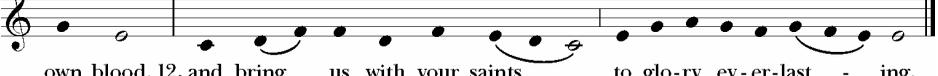

 10. You are seat - ed at God's right hand in glo - ry.

II

 We be - lieve that you will come and be our judge.

All

 11. Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple, bought with the price of your


 own blood, 12. and bring us with your saints to glo-ry ev - er-last - ing.

The Gospel

Officiant

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 Jews, Jesus 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 Jesus 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.

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Fr. Robert Certain

Nicene Creed

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All stand.

***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 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.*

After the Creed: You may sit, kneel, or remain standing for the Prayers.

The Lord's Prayer

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Officiant The Lord be with you.

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

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

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 Prayers of the People: Form VI

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Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Reader For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Reader For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

Reader For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

Reader For Ardith Perry, Penny Sengler, Ellen Wundt, Theresa Zapata, Jean Norris, and all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

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

Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

Reader For Michael our Presiding Bishop, David our Bishop, and Robert our interim rector; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People ***For all who serve God in his Church.***

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

For all healthcare professionals and their families.

For our armed forces and their families at home and abroad.

For all who suffer from the effects of the novel coronavirus.

For our friends and family who are homebound or residing in care and

recovery facilities, especially: Betty Rainey, Judy McClendon, Patsy Creager,

Ruth Burges, Karen Cook, and Rose Foegelle.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Reader Hear us, Lord;

People ***For your mercy is great.***

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Reader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People ***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

Reader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Reader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People ***Who put their trust in you.***

Reader Sanctify, O Lord, those whom you have called to the study and practice of the arts of healing, and to the prevention of disease and pain.

People ***Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that by their ministries the health of the community may be promoted and your creation glorified.***

Officiant We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Travel Prayers

Birthdays

Officiant and People

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Mike Pezzuto, Peyton Strauss, and Lauren Smith as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversaries

Officiant and People

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon Houston & Cindy Moore, your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Travel

Officiant and People

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Offertory Anthem-*We walk by faith, and not by sight- G. Slater*

Soloist- Leo Garcia

The General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People

***Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you***

*in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Priest may bless the people.

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn- Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks (v.1&2)

Hymnal 178

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for ev - er. Al - le -
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

Repeat Refrain

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

Dismissal

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Celebrant

Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude-*Trumpet Voluntary*—J. Stanley

Wendi Gustafson- Organ

Ministers in the Lord's Service

Officiant- Fr. Robert Certain

Lay Reader- Robin Walker

Musicians- Leo Garcia, Choir Director/Cantor

Wendi Gustafson, Music Director/Organ

Cameramen/Technicians- Aaryn Perry, Gil Merkle

