

# April 27, 2024, 10:30 AM The Second Sunday of Easter Year C

## **Prelude**

Air from "Water Music" by G.F. Handel

## **Choral Prelude**

Come, Now Is The Time To Worship

# **Opening Hymn**

Hymnal 180 - He Is Risen, He Is Risen!

## The Word of God

The people standing the Celebrant says Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## Celebrant

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

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia.

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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*.

#### Silence

## The Lessons

#### First Lesson

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to

these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 118:14-29

## Confitemini Domino

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*

and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*

in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*

the right hand of the LORD is exalted!

the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, \*

and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*

but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*

I will enter them;

I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*

he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*

and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*

has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, \*

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! \*
LORD, send us now success.
26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*
we bless you from the house of the LORD.
27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \*
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.
28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; \*
you are my God, and I will exalt you."
29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*
his mercy endures for ever.

#### Second Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

# Gospel Hymn Part 1

Lord, You Sent Your Word – Part 1

# The Gospel John 20:19-31

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to

John.

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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Gospel Hymn Part 2

Lord, You Sent Your Word – Part 2

#### Sermon

## 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.

# The Prayers of the People

Deacon: Grace to you and peace from Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead. The Lord has acted; let us rejoice and be glad, saying, "You are our God; and we thank you."

Almighty God, you have given your Church the ministry 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.

You are our God; and we thank you.

Ruler of the kings of the earth, Lord Jesus, your word is a word of peace. Speak forth salvation in a weary world.

You are our God; and we thank you.

All you do, O Lord, is marvelous in our eyes. Give us a respect for all you have made.

You are our God; and we thank you.

Mighty Savior, raise up faithful witnesses in our community, that our neighbors might come to know that you love them and have freed them from the power of sin.

You are our God; and we thank you.

O Lord, you are good; your mercy endures forever. Be the strength of the weak and the song of those who mourn. We pray for.—(Pause)

You are our God; and we thank you.

Alpha and Omega, you do not hand your beloved ones over to death but promise life eternal to all those baptized into your Son. To you be glory and dominion forever. We pray for.—(Pause)

You are our God;

and we thank you.

Celebrant: O God, you have united diverse peoples in the confession of your Name: Grant that all who have been born again in the font of Baptism may also be united in faith and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

It is a traditional custom to omit the confession and absolution during the Easter season as part of our celebration of the resurrection.

## The Peace

All stand. 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.

# **Offertory**



# Offertory Hymn

Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

# Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

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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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

God of power and might

Heaven and earth

Are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes

In the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

## The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with <code>\_\_\_and</code>] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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*.

## The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant
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, forever and ever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that
Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with
thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the people

# **Communion Hymn**

Open Our Eyes I Looked Up

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

# 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 Celebrant may bless the people

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Closing Hymn**

Cornerstone

# The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words Deacon

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

## Postlude

Lord enthroned in heavenly splendor (307)