

The Second Sunday of Easter

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11:00 a.m.



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*Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Ascension.
Here “we challenge ourselves and the world to love
like Jesus as we worship joyfully,
serve compassionately and grow spiritually.”*

The people may make the sign of the cross (optional) when this sign † appears throughout the order of the service.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

The Organ Voluntary

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

J.S. Bach (1687-1750)

Please stand, as you are able, at the ringing of the bell.

The Hymn in Procession

Hymn 194

St. Albinus

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| 1 | Jesus lives! thy terrors now
can no longer, death, appall us;
Jesus lives! by this we know
thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.
Alleluia! | 3 | Jesus lives! our hearts know well
nought from us his love shall sever;
life, nor death, nor powers of hell
tear us from his keeping ever.
Alleluia! |
| 2 | Jesus lives! for us he died;
then, alone to Jesus living,
pure in heart may we abide,
glory to our Savior giving.
Alleluia! | 4 | Jesus lives! to him the throne
over all the world is given:
may we go where he has gone,
rest and reign with him in heaven.
Alleluia! |

The people standing, the Celebrant says

The Easter Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Celebrant and People

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.

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.
Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

The 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.**

The people sit.

The 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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

Psalm 118:14-29

Chanted by congregation and choir.

Confitemini Domino

Peter H. Waggoner

- 14 The LORD is my strength | and my | song, *
and he has be- | cōme | my sal- | vation.
- 15 There is a sound of exul- | tation • and | victory *
in the | tēnts | 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 | wōrks | 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 | thānks | to the | LORD.
- 20 “This is the | gate of • the | LORD; *
he who is | rīght- | eous may | enter.”
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you | answered | me *
and have be- | cōme | my sal- | vation.
- 22 The same stone which the | builders • re- | jected *
has become the | chīef | corner- | stone.
- 23 This is the | LÖRD'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 Hosanna, | LORD, ho- | sanna! *
LORD, | send us | now suc- | cess.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the | name • of the | Lord; *
we bless you from the | hōuse | of the | LORD.
- 27 God is the LORD; he has | shined up- | on us; *
form a procession with branches up to
the | hörns | of the | altar.
- 28 "You are my God, and | I will | thank you; *
you are my God, and | I | will ex- | alt you."
- 29 Give thanks to the LORD, for | he is | good; *
his | mercy • en- | dures for | ever.

The 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence

Hymn 209

St. Botolph

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| 1 | We walk by faith, and not by sight;
no gracious words we hear
from him who spoke as none e'er spoke;
but we believe him near. | 3 | Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
and may our faith abound,
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found: |
| 2 | We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;
but in his promise we rejoice,
and cry, "My Lord and God!" | 4 | that, when our life of faith is done,
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are,
with full and endless sight. |

The Gospel

John 20:19-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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.

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

The Homily

The Rev. Terri Brice

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and People

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

Form II, BCP

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop Rob; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who serve our country in the Armed Forces, especially Stovall Knight, Chandler Celluzi, Taylor Tekesky, and Kyle Hubert.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Carolyn Pearce, Emily Getman, Mary Carol Holderby, and David Ronn.
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those on our parish prayer list, especially Rev. Louis Tonsmeire, Sam Hood, Drew Tonsmeire, Lynette Pasek, Janet Whitner, Leigh Ann Cole, Steve King, and Sandy Thornton.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who are homebound or have long-term health concerns, especially Sandy Rutters, Glendy Biggs, Hope Cunningham, Sarah McLeod, Houston Suggs, Kimberly Gottardi, John Youd, Steve Novak, and George Chesnut.

Silence

I ask your prayers of thanksgiving for those who celebrate a birthday or anniversary this week, especially Clive Smart, Amy Beaver, Noah Harper, Susan Wade and John & Kelly Hoomes.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The members of the congregation are invited to add their own petitions.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Parish Notices

The Offertory Anthem

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. James Machen (b. 1950)

The Presentation

Hymn 242

Jacob

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| 1 How oft, O Lord, thy face hath shone
on doubting souls whose wills were true!
Thou Christ of Peter and of John,
thou art the Christ of Thomas too. | 4 He saw thee risen; at once he rose
to full belief's unclouded height;
and still through his confession flows
to Christian souls thy life and light. |
| 2 He loved thee well, and firmly said,
"Come, let us go, and die with him";
yet when thine Easter-news was spread,
mid all its light his faith was dim. | 5 O Savior, make thy presence known
to all who doubt thy Word and thee;
and teach us in that Word alone
to find the truth that sets us free. |
| 3 His brethren's word he would not take,
but craved to touch those hands of thine; | |

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 him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

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:

Celebrant and People

S 128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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. **AMEN.**

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

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal lowed be your
Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea-ven.
Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give
those who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-
li-ver us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the power, and the glo-ry are
yours, now and for ev-er. A-men. A-men.

Setting: Barry McLeod, from *Mass for the Church of the Ascension*, © 2007 Barry McLeod

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 and People

Fraction Anthem

S 169

Cantor or Choir
My flesh is food in-deed, and my blood is drink in-
deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My
 flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.
 Setting: Ray W. Urwin (b. 1950)

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Hymns during Communion

Hymn 178

Alleluia No. 1

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give Praise to his Name.

Refrain

3 We have been crucified with Christ.
 Now we shall live for ever.

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
 He is the King of creation.

Refrain

4 Come, let us praise the living God,
 joyfully sing to our Savior

Refrain

2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

Hymn 328

Song 46

- 1 Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord,
 and drink the holy Blood for you outpoured.
- 2 Saved by that Body and that holy Blood,
 with souls refreshed, we render thanks to God.
- 3 Salvation's giver, Christ, the only Son,
 by his dear cross and blood the victory won.
- 4 Offered was he for greatest and for least,
 himself the Victim, and himself the Priest.
- 5 Approach ye then with faithful hearts sincere,
 and take the pledges of salvation here.
- 6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields
 to all believers life eternal yields;

- 7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,
gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow
all nations at the doom, is with us now.

If you are worshipping with us virtually, please pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshipping at home, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me... I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. †I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The people stand.

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 Hymn in Procession

Hymn 212

Richmond

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| <p>1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice,
let Easter music swell;
rejoice in Christ, again rejoice
and on his praises dwell.</p> <p>2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise
the saints their Savior greet;
nor will they trust their ears and eyes</p> | <p>3 those hands of liberal love indeed
in infinite degree,
those feet still free to move and bleed
for millions and for me.</p> <p>4 His enemies had sealed the stone
as Pilate gave them leave,</p> |
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lest dead and friendless and alone
he should their skill deceive.

5 O Dead arise! O Friendless stand

by seraphim adored!
O Solitude again command
your host from heaven restored!

The Dismissal

The Closing Voluntary

Prelude in C

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The order of service from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979
according to the use of the Episcopal Church.

The Flowers at the Altar are given by
Connie and Don Evans
to the Glory of God
and in Memory of Connie's sister,
Carolyn Pearce.

Easter Flower Dedications

In memory of...

- ~ Beau Satterfield Kennedy given by Marty Knight
- ~ Andy Cao given by Natalie & Riley Barrington
- ~ Delores Morissey, George & Helen Tasker, and George A. Tasker given by Micky Tasker
- ~ Parents and Grandparents given by Jimmy & Pam Hyde
- ~ Harriet "Happy" Adams given by John C. Adams
- ~ Louis & Naomi Wilson and Stanley & Barbra Brunt given by Linda & Neal Brunt
- ~ Beau Gnann given by Porter & Kathy Gnann
- ~ Robert, Cecilia, & Rosemarie Collins; Ernest, LaVerne, & Leona Ronn; and Hilda Simons given by David & Denise Ronn
- ~ Caroline Hutchings given by Cynthia Clark
- ~ Richard and Kathy Peek given by Keith & Candy Limardo
- ~ Hank and Grace Pressley given by Jimmy & Pam Hyde
- ~ Stanton & Betsy McKee and Harvey & Mytrice Knight given by Angee & Rick McKee
- ~ George, Erika, & Patricia Behrens; Alfred J., Alfred K., & Ronald Adams; and Marie Susalla & Laura Lavigne given by Bill & Sandi Behrens
- ~ James Shaw McLeod, Vicky & A.T. Lansdell; Rebecca Lansdell, and Benjamin George given by Barry & Susan McLeod
- ~ Charles W. Cook, Jr. given by Annette Cook

- ~ Santangelo & Erjavec Families given by John & Carolann Symonds
- ~ Charles & Marie Symonds given by John & Carolann Symonds
- ~ My wife Sandra given by Bill Davey
- ~ Ned & Elizabeth, Edward, Lorraine Jeanne Privitera and Jimmy, Mary, Jim Nina Newton given by Erle and Donna Marie Newton
- ~ Paula Garcia (her life and her stories) given by Valerie Burns

In Thanksgiving for...

- ~ My family and Ascension Church given by Micky Tasker
- ~ Adrian Cao given by Natalie & Riley Barrington
- ~ Our Children and Grandchildren given by Carl & Branda Worley
- ~ Our Children: Meghann, Jillian, and Rob given by Jim & Marcia Humphreys
- ~ Our Grandsons: Hiller Mainor and Finn Zimmer given by Gale & Ernie Palmer
- ~ Our Daughters: Elizabeth and Emily, and Our Grandchildren given by Joe & Kathi White
- ~ Andrew Stanley Brunt given by Linda & Neal Brunt
- ~ Robert & James Gnann given by Porter & Kathy Gnann
- ~ Wonderful Family, Friends, and Church given by David & Denise Ronn
- ~ Ascension Church given by Jack Almand & Cheryl Worley
- ~ Anthony, Alison, Taylor, Lindsey, and Lincoln given by Keith & Candy Limardo
- ~ The 96th Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on April 21st, 2022 given by Ivey Harris and Clive Smart
- ~ Our Ascension Family given by Barry & Susan McLeod
- ~ My Family and Church of the Ascension given by Pat Ashley
- ~ Our Family given by Richard & Sandy Cunningham
- ~ Our Family given by Jerry & Lola Thomas
- ~ Anne Katherine & Michael Tekesky and Mary Durham Newton given by Erle & Donna Marie Newton

You are called to ministry!

There is a place for you in one of the following ministries. Please contact the ministry leaders listed for more information about where your gifts may fit to strengthen our efforts to bring God's mission for the Church of the Ascension to full measure. If not sure where to start call the church office.

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