



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II  
APRIL 12, 2026  
11:00AM

*Quiet in the nave before the service helps us to mark sacred space and time.  
We invite you to use this time to prayerfully prepare for worship.  
Please remember to silence your cell phone.*

**Voluntary**

*Rondeau on "O filii et filiae"*

Pierre Dandrieu

### **The Word of God**

**Hymn 492**, *Standing, sung by all*

*Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness* FINNIAN

### **The Opening Acclamation**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

**Gloria S278**, *Sung by all*

William Mathias

### **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 First Reading**, *Seated*

**Acts 2:14a, 22-32**

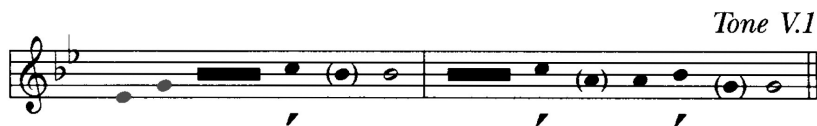
Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over 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.**

**Psalm 16**, *Please join the choir in singing the bold portion of the Psalm*



- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in / you; \*  
**I have said to the Lord, →**  
**"You are my Lord, my good a-/bove all other."**
- 2 **All my delight is upon the godly that are / in the land, \***  
**upon those who are noble a-/mong the people.**
- 3 But those who run after / other gods \*  
 shall have their / troubles multiplied.
- 4 **Their libations of blood I will not / offer, \***  
**nor take the names of their / gods upon my lips.**
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my / cup; \*  
 it is / you who uphold my lot.
- 6 **My boundaries enclose a / pleasant land; \***  
**indeed, I have a / goodly heritage.**
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me / counsel; \*  
 my heart teaches me, / night after night.
- 8 **I have set the Lord always be-/fore me; \***  
**because he is at my / right hand I shall not fall.**
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit re-/joices; \*  
 my body / also shall rest in hope.
- 10 **For you will not abandon me / to the grave, \***  
**nor let your / holy one see the Pit.**
- 11 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 Second Reading

1 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.**

**Hymn 194**, *Standing, sung by all*

*Jesus lives! thy terrors now* ST. ALBINUS

*During the sequence hymn, children aged 4 through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to follow the children's cross to Children's Chapel. Parents are always welcome to attend. All will return during the Peace.*

## The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

*Gospeler* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

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 people, 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.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Dr. Melissa M. Hartley

## **The Nicene Creed, *Standing***

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### **The Prayers of the People, *Standing or kneeling***

*Leader*    In this season of resurrection and joy, let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader*    O God, we give thanks for the goodness of creation, for the victory of resurrection, and for the grace of redemption. We praise you for leading us from the darkness into light, and for bringing us through the waters of death into new life in you: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    That the Church, celebrating the resurrection with joy, may bring the light of Christ into the world: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    That our community, renewed through word and sacrament, may be strengthened in the covenant of our baptism: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    That the people of the world, remembering the source of creation, may care for the waters of the earth and for all living things: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    That the leaders of nations, knowing their power, may bring peace and justice to the world: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    That all who suffer, recalling the mystery of Christ crucified and risen, may be comforted: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader*    In thanksgiving for the saints and martyrs, for the witnesses of the resurrection, and for all who have passed over from the darkness of death into the glorious light of Christ: Lord, in your mercy,

*People*    **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant concludes with a collect*

## The Peace, *Standing*

### The Holy Communion

#### The Offertory Anthem

*This joyful Eastertide*

William Harris

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!  
My Love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow:

Refrain: Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,  
our faith had been in vain; but now has Christ arisen!

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber:  
Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. R.

Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river;  
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. R.

—George Woodward

#### Presentation Hymn 191, st. 5, *Standing, sung by all*

LUX EOI

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high; Alleluia!  
To the Savior who has won the victory;  
Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity:  
Alleluia, alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.

#### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

*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.**

*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:

**Sanctus S128, Sung by all**

Mathias

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

*Standing or kneeling*

*Celebrant* 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.

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,

*All*     **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant* 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 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.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer**, *Said by all*

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**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.**

**Agnus Dei S165**, *Sung by all*

Mathias

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

## **The Invitation to Communion**

*Regardless of the denomination of your baptism, you are invited to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. If you are interested in being baptized please speak with a clergy person after the service or contact the church office. Gluten free wafers available upon request.*

**Music during Communion**

*Mitte manum tuam*

Plainsong

Put your hand here and behold the print of the nails, alleluia; and be doubtful no longer, but believe, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever. (John 20; Psalm 118)

**Hymn 203**

*O sons and daughters, let us sing*

O FILII ET FILIAE

*When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take communion to the sick or homebound, the following is offered:*

*Celebrant* We 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.

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

**The Postcommunion Prayer, *Said by all, standing or kneeling***

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*Celebrant* 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 Blessing**

**Hymn 208, *Standing, sung by all***

*The strife is o'er*

VICTORY

**The Dismissal**

*The Deacon offers a dismissal followed by:*

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Voluntary**

*Toccata on "O filii et filiae"*

Lynwood Farnam

*The flowers on the altar are given in to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Sally, Powell and Jack Benton Stockton by the Nativity Flower Guild.*

**CELEBRANT** The Rev. Michael Goldsmith

**PREACHER** The Rev. Dr. Melissa M. Hartley

**ASSISTING** The Rev. Rosie Veal Eby

**DEACON** The Rev. Dn. Dr. Robert A. Serio

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC** Dr. Aaron Tan



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