

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

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We are in the season of Eastertide, a period of fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. Eastertide season is celebrated as a single joyful feast, indeed as the "great Lord's Day". Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter, and, after the Sunday of the Resurrection, they are named Second Sunday of Easter, Third Sunday of Easter, etc. up to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, while the whole fifty-day period concludes with Pentecost Sunday. The season is marked with white vestments, extra candles, the presence of the paschal candle near the altar, and at the 10am service, sung parts for the Great Thanksgiving. We include more alleluias, and The Confession of Sin is absent.

The Word of God

Prelude

Grand Dialogue du 5e Ton

Louis Marchand

Processional Hymn

This Joyful Eastertide

Hymn #192

The Opening Acclamation

† Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.

The Gloria

Gloria

John Rutter

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'ry King al-
13 might-y God and Fa-ther, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.
25 Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin
40 of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For
56 you a-lone are the Holy One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ,
70 with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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Celebrant/Deacon: The Rev. Peter Huang
Preacher: The Rev. Michael Neils

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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson Acts 4:32-35

1st Reader A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

1st Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 133

SCHUMANN

When breth - ren live in peace, at peace in u - ni - ty, — be - hold how good a
It is like frag - rant oil which glist - ens and runs down on head and beard, on
It is like Her - mon's dew that falls on Zi - on's hill, — for there the Lord has
thing it is, a pleas - ant thing to see.
Aar - on's beard and col - lar of his gown.
pro - mised life and gives his bless - ing still.

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The Second Lesson 1 John 1:1-2:2

2nd Reader A Reading from the first Letter of John.

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.

2nd Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please STAND as able, and join in singing

The Gospel Procession

Alleluia

Fishel

The Holy Gospel John 20:19-31

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to His Name. Je - sus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of cre - a - - - - tion. Al - le -

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Deacon 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.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.



As the Procession returns please join in singing the Alleluia

Please be seated for

† The Sermon

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

The Rev. Michael Neils

Please STAND as able, and join in saying,
The Nicene Creed

All 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.

Please remain STANDING, as able, for
The Prayers of the People

(the People read the responses in bold)

Gracious God, after his resurrection, your Son Jesus Christ was present with his disciples for many weeks, and blessed them with peace, teaching them to love all people. As his disciples in this age, let us follow in the way of the risen Jesus with the resilient power of your love.

Grant to this family of St Francis the grace to inspire one another to good deeds, encouraging one another in the risen Jesus. My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

Bless all with wisdom, especially civil and religious leaders. Help us to remember that even though the future is hidden from human view your divine guidance is always available.

My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

Protect those who protect us, especially first responders, those in our armed and foreign services and their families, especially Drew Deley, Kelly Hall, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve, and all the thousands whose names we do not know. We pray for the welfare of the world.

My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

We pray for all who are suffering in body, mind or soul, especially Andrea, Susie Allen, Howard Dale, Ceri Falk, Rob Fitting, Mary Louise Gordon, Mama Hill, Nancy Jacobsmeyer, Marjorie Morris, Munoz Family, Peter Pano, James and Reiko, Jerry Rosenthal, Anne Shepherd, Steve Smith, Phyllis Thomas, and all those we name to you now.

(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud). Your mercy endures forever.

My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

We pray for those killed or injured in acts of terrorism, gun violence, abuse of any kind and from the consequences of natural disasters. Jesus Christ the wounded healer has overcome all that can threaten us.

My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

We pray in gratitude for all the blessings of this life and the grace to face our challenges.

(Please add your prayers either silently or aloud). We give thanks for the peace of the Christ.

My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

Bring eternal life to those we love but see no longer, O God, especially Bill Tabrisky, and those we name to you now. (Please add your prayers either silently or aloud.) Awake, O Saints, in eternal Love. My heart, therefore, is glad **and my spirit rejoices**.

Celebrant Let us pray.

We pray our mission statement in the power of the risen Jesus and ask for the grace to be faithful to our calling: We welcome everyone to worship God together, to be transformed by the Holy Spirit and each other, and to share the light of Christ in the world. Amen. (NEW Mission Statement 2018)

The Confession of Sin is omitted during the 50 days of the Easter season.

Please **STAND**, as able, for
The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth (from Messiah)

George Frederick Handel

Jeannie Cobb, soprano

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.

And 'though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

Offertory Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Vulpius

Good Christ-ians all, re-joyce and sing! Now is the tri - umph of our King! To all the
5 world glad news we bring. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Words Cyril Alington (1872-1955) GELOBT SEI GOTT Melchoir Vulpius (1560?-1616)

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

People Blessed be God forever.

Celebrant Receive, O Lord, all these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People Blessed be God forever.



*God of grace, amazing wonder, irresistible and free. O the miracle of mercy, Jesus reaches down to me.
God of grace, I stand in wonder as my God restores my soul.
His own blood has paid my ransom, awesome cost to make me whole.*

God of grace, who loved and knew me long before the world began; sent my Savior down from heaven, perfect God and perfect man. God of grace, I trust in Jesus, I'm accepted as his own. Every day his grace sustains me as I lean on him alone.

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saves a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.

*God of grace, I stand astounded, cleansed, forgiven, and secure. All my fears are now confounded, and my hope is ever sure.
God of grace, now crowned in glory, where one day I'll see your face, and forever I'll adore you in your everlasting grace.*

*When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.*

God of grace, now crowned in glory...

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All God of all Life, we have seen with our own eyes and touched with our own hands the Bread of Life, this precious gift of your Son Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you, in love for one another, and in love for all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

An Easter Blessing



Celebrant May Christ, who brings new hope and a new future through his resurrection from the dead, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen, alleluia!**

Please STAND, as able, for

The Closing Hymn

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

Hymn #193

The Sending Forth



Let us go forth in the name of Christ, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia.



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

