The Second Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist: Rite II April 11, 2021 at 10:00am



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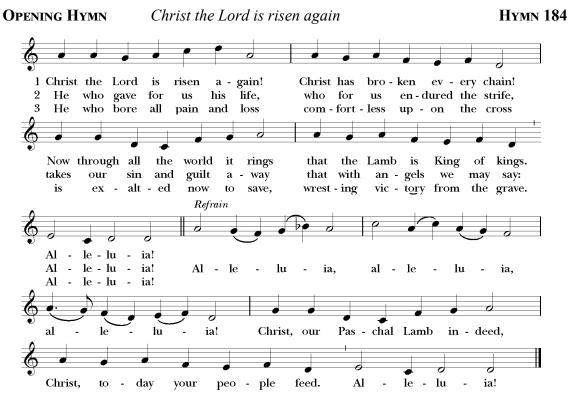
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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude



OPENING ACCLAMATION (please stand)

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CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen Indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

GLORIA



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet 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 LESSON: ACTS 4:32-35 (please be seated for the readings)

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.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PropleThanks be to God.

PSALM 133 (read responsively)

¹ Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
² It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
³ Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
⁴ It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
⁵ For there the LORD has ordained the blessing:
life for evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 JOHN 1:1-2:2

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.

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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.

People The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*



THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31 (please remain standing)

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

THE NICENE CREED (please 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 for our salvation he came down from heaven: THE REV. STACEY CATIGANO

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 by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. (pause) 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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of our Saviour—Montoursville and Hope Church, Mt. Hope. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Diocese of Mid-America. Let us pray to the Lord.

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight*.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially Geta, Emily Lavender, Chase, Tom Hemler, Emily Symes, Angelica, and Tom. *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

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Give to the departed eternal rest. *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

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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 God thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

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. We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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." Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God. Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with St. John's and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant 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.

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A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A spiritual communion is a devotional that anyone can pray to express their desire to receive Communion, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving the sacrament.

Beloved Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you in this life or in the life to come. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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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

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

THE CLOSING HYMN	I want to walk as a child of the light	Pg. 12
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GOOD NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DISMISSAL

CelebrantLet us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

 I want to walk as a child of the light I want to follow Jesus.
 God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2 I want to see the brightness of God.I want to look at Jesus.Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.

Refrain

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.

Refrain

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Saturday, April 24, 2021

For more details, contact Webb Cook at webb.cook@yahoo.com

UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite I (In-Person)
9:00 a.m.	Children's Church (Zoom)
10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist: Rite II (In-Person and Online)
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Hour (Zoom)

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

9:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry
2:30 p.m.	Capital Campaign Meeting
5:00 p.m.	VH Dance (Âuditorium)
7:00 p.m.	Women's Gathering (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry
7:00 p.m.	Handbell Practice (Auditorium)

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

9:00 a.m. Community Breakfast

Weekly Support Ministries

AA: Tuesday - 6:00-7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)

NA: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday - 12:00 Noon (All Purpose Room)

FOOD PANTRY -

Thank you for your support of our food pantry ministry. Your donations allow us to feed so many neighbors struggling to make ends meet during this difficult time. We are currently in need of toiletries; pasta sauce; and canned goods: soup, chicken, tuna, vegetables, and fruit. (Please leave items on the back porch of Becker House).

Soles4Souls-

The St. John's Soles4Souls shoe drive is happening now. We are collecting and storing donated shoes and request that you check in your closets or with friends for shoes they are no longer wearing for our shoe drive. They can be brought to the church during business hours. Please do not send shoe boxes; simply tie the laces together and rubber band the pairs together.

<u> A Special Forum –</u>

Please join us on May 1st at 10:00 a.m. for a special presentation regarding end-of-life planning. The presenters for this forum include: Jeremy DeBord, licensed funeral director; Brad Zuke, an estate and business law attorney; Penn Glazier also an attorney; and Amanda Knouse, priest and pastor. More information regarding this forum can be found here: <u>https://stjohns-lancaster.org/a-special-forum/</u>

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH H

DATE: Tuesday, April 13, 2021 @ 7PM (EST) Join the Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/96473248358?pwd=SGx2ZUpLY0pBWUdLYmVnbi9FT1FpUT09 Meeting ID: 964 7324 8358 Password: 336465 For more information, contact Karen DiPace @ karen.dipace@gmail.com



ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH YOUTH OUTING

HIKING AT KELLY'S RUN TRAIL

Sunday, April 25, 2021 1PM Meet at the Holtwood Recreation Area

Questions? Contact Mike Williams at hmwiliams@gmail.com

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