

ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Shawnee, Kansas



M. Hildreth Meiere, *Jesus Reveals Himself to Thomas*, National Cathedral Washington, D.C. (photo by Tim Evanson)

Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 11, 2021

Please note: If you are joining us at our outdoor in-person worship, please realize that you may be included in our live stream video or photographs. If you would prefer to not be included, please talk to the tech team BEFORE the service begins.

People standing as able.
The Opening Hymn

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!
The Hymnal 1982 #205

All standing, the Celebrant says

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

No collect of purity during Eastertide.

Said all together

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,

almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

With the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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.

THE LESSONS

The First Lesson Acts 4: 32-35

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.

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

The Response Psalm 133

Ecce, quam bonum!

- 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 Epistle 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.

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.

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

Gospel Anthem

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
The Hymnal 1982 #460

The Gospel John 20:1 9-31

All stand as able.

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."

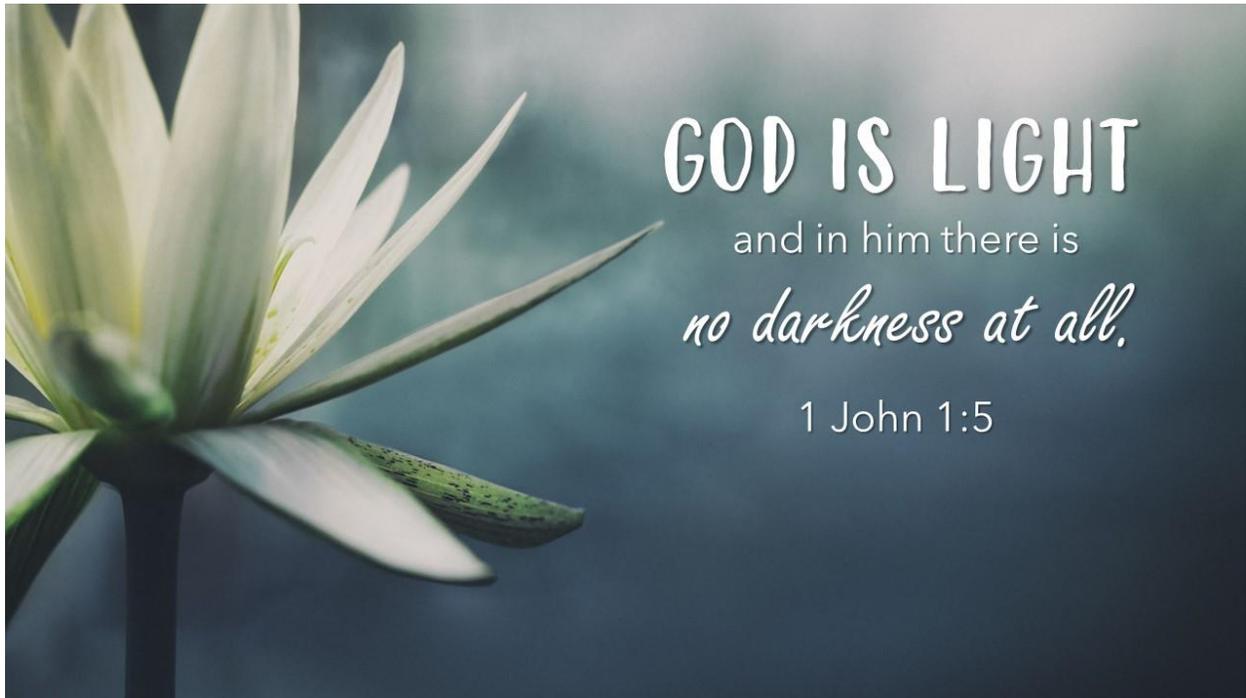
A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." 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.***

Please be seated.

Sermon **Crichelle Brice**



The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together.

**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 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 stand or sit.



**Prayers of the People
April 11, 2021
The Second Sunday of Easter**

*Let us who have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying: **Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For a new birth of peace on the earth among all human families and nations, that hatred and violence and war may cease, we pray: **Lord, hear us in your mercy.**

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For the whole body of Christ and all who bear his holy name, and for bishops, clergy, and all who offer ministries, that we may serve Christ with glad and generous hearts, we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For this nation and all nations of the world, that those who lead may know truth and practice integrity, that all peoples may grow together in concord, we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For all in mental anguish and whose faith is racked by doubt, that they may be led with Thomas the apostle to cry out, "My Lord and my God," we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For those imprisoned unjustly by force, that they may be liberated and not be abandoned to the dominion of death, we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For all gathered here out of love for Christ, that we may know the gospel as an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For those having died in faith and for all the dying, that they may know the love of God who has raised Christ up, having loosed the pangs of death, we pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people East Timor, Indonesia and the Philippines

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Thomas', Holton

We pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Brian Wichaël; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar

We pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For Health & Strength: Merle Cumberbatch; Toni Allen; Marcia Streepy; Bob Mossman; Charlene Lassiter; Candace Harvey; Anthony Straker; Suzy, Lyndsay, Trevor and Michael Knabel;

We pray: ***Lord, hear us in your mercy.***

For Birthdays: Joel Brice; Megan Jones; Rose Wrede; Stephanie Robertson

We pray: **Lord, hear us in your mercy.**

For all who have died, especially Cheryl Burton, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, we pray: **Lord, hear us in your mercy.**

Bind us in love to those for whom we pray this day, and to one another in genuiness of faith, more precious than gold, that Christ may be present in all we do and say. So may your life be praised, today and all days. Amen.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

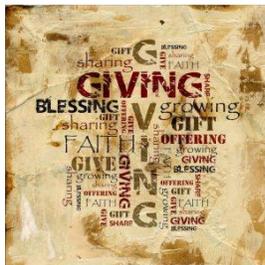
The Exchange of Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greet each other from a safe distance.



The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Anthem

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
Rich Lavin Anthem

The Presentation of Bread



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B

Standing as you are able.

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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

**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.

The people stand or sit.

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,

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 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**

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

(All together)

**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.

The Breaking of the 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 The Gift of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died (and rose) for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



HOLY COMMUNION

Please stay seated. Father Jonathan will come to you with the communion host (wafer).

If you do not feel comfortable receiving the wafer please cross your arms over your chest and he will bless you from a safe distance.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a devotional action that anyone can pray. It expresses the desire to receive Holy Communion at a moment where circumstances impede them from actually receiving the consecrated bread and wine.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Post-Communion Hymn

*There Is A Happy Land
Bell Choir and Choir Anthem*

Stand as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

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

Celebrant

Holy eternal Majesty, Holy incarnate Word, Holy abiding Spirit, Bless you for evermore.
Amen.

Announcements

The Closing Hymn

*Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice
The Hymnal 1982 #212*

The Dismissal

Deacon Alleluia. Alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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



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