



The Holy Eucharist (Rite Two)
 The Second Sunday of Easter
 April 11, 2021
 10:00 a.m.

Happy Easter, and welcome to Holy Apostles for this celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We are glad to have you with us!

For your safety, and out of love of neighbor, please wear masks and observe social distance between households throughout the service.

Concern for our neighbor also dictates that we do not sing as a congregation at this time, but we are blessed to have ministers of music offering our praises to God, and we join with them in spirit, "singing and making melody to the Lord in our hearts" (Eph. 5:19).

Monetary gifts may be placed in the offering plate before the service—the plate will not be passed at the offertory.

In the Episcopal Church, all baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion from the Lord's Table. If you have not been baptized and would like to learn more about this sacrament, please contact one of the clergy.

Prelude

Trumpet Tune

John Stanley

The Liturgy of the Word

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect

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 Lessons

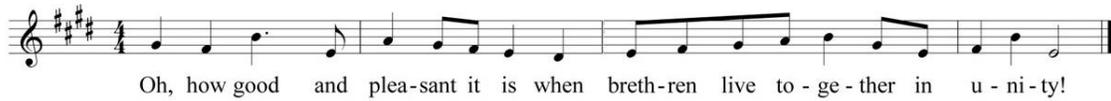
The people sit

A Reading from Acts (*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.

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

Psalm 133 (*Sung by Cantors*)



- 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.

A Reading from the first letter of John (*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.

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

All stand

Sequence Hymn

We walk by faith, and not by sight

Hymn 209

Still standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

(John 20:19-31)

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.”

For the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean (Anglican cycle of prayer)

For those who founded our Religious Communities (Anglican Religious Orders cycle of prayer)

For Emmanuel, Memphis (West TN Diocesan cycle of prayer)

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;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, especially David Atkinson, eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for the twelve Holy Apostles and all your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for our own needs and those of others, especially for those on our parish prayer list.

Fred, Marilyn, Brooke, Robbie, Abigail, Gloria, Bob, Nathaniel, Ronnie, Gia, Bonnie, Tom, David, Kim, Phillip, Katherine, Brad, Betty, Judy, Brian, Nancy, Jamie, LaVerne, Jim, Iva, Debbie, Barkley

We give thanks for all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, especially:

Debbie Tankersley

Ben Garrett

Margaret Darby

Andrea Sedlacek

Billy Gates

Blake Scofield

Kelley Pointer

Lydel Turner

Alex McCarty

Andy Hines

Cate Dukes

Jennifer Henson and Dave Whitehead

We give thanks for the altar flowers given to the glory of God by Betsy and Rupert Leslie in celebration of their son, Will's, birthday.

Silence

A Prayer for the Parish (said by all)

Faithful and loving God, you trace our journeys and our resting places and are acquainted with all our ways. Sustain Holy Apostles with your grace during this time of transition; bless us with joy, beauty, and wonder, and bind us together in fellowship and love. Empower us to continue to be a place of refuge for the weary and companionship for the pilgrim. Raise up for us a pastor who will care for your people, equip us for our ministries, and shine a light on your path. Grant that we may walk with you in the Way of Love, and reflect your goodness and light always. This we pray in the power of the Holy Spirit, through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

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

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

The People's offerings of bread, wine, and money or other gifts, are placed upon the Altar. When directed by the Celebrant, the People stand.

Offertory Anthem

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

Malcolm Archer

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven 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._____

The people stand or kneel

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 forever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant

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

People and Celebrant

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 lu - ia. Christ our Pass-ov - er is sac - ri - ficed for us. There - fore let us
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Ushers will direct family groups to approach the altar rail to receive Holy Communion, which will be administered in one kind (Bread only). Please remain masked and return by the side aisle to your pew to consume the Sacrament there.

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, but desire a blessing, indicate this by folding your arms across your chest.

Communion Hymn

O sons and daughters, let us sing

Hymn 206

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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 Priest may bless the people.

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

<i>Priest</i>	Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.
People	Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Christ lag in Todesbanden

J. S. Bach



TODAY'S SERVERS (04/11/21)

10:00 a.m.

Lector/Intercessor: Emily Siegel

Greeters/Ushers: Ronnie Kelly, Chris Kotara

Altar Guild this week: Team #3, Captain – Maggie Beason

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prime Timers Lunch

This Wednesday, April 14th at 11:45 am

It's time to get together again! Join us for lunch in the PLC this Wednesday at 11:45 am. Bring your own lunch (homemade or purchased as takeout). We will provide water, iced tea, napkins and plasticware. We ask that everyone wear a mask and practice social distancing. Please sign up using the link in your weekly email so we know how many to expect!

Reading with Holy Apostles

Tuesday, April 20th at 6:30 pm via Zoom

Reading with Holy Apostles will meet Tuesday, April 20th to discuss our April fiction selection, *Travels with My Aunt* by Graham Greene. Check next week's email for the Zoom link. Hope you can join us!

Lenten Food Drive

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our 2021 Lenten Food Drive! Many of you dropped off items when you were here for worship, but even more made special trips to the church to deliver food and other items. Your generosity and kindness makes a difference in the lives of a great many people in need and are greatly appreciated. Thank you again!

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The Right Reverend Phoebe A. Roaf, Bishop of West Tennessee

The Rev. Clay Calhoun, Priest Associate

The Rev. Gerri Endicott, Deacon

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To provide a welcoming community in which all can, with open hearts and open minds, receive God's grace through worship, fellowship, learning and outreach to others.