



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
The Second Sunday of Easter  
April 11, 2021  
Morning Prayer, Rite 2

Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE

*O, Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing* - W. Held

GREETING

OPENING SENTENCE

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it. ~*Psalm 118:24*

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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*Officiant:* Lord open our lips.

*People:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

GLORIA (*All*) **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

ANTIPHON **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed:  
Come let us adore Him. Alleluia!**

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER *In unison*

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VOLUNTARY *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing* - M Vulpius, harm. R. te Velde

PSALM 133 *In unison*

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**<sup>1</sup> Oh, how good and pleasant it is,  
when brethren live together in unity!**

**<sup>2</sup> It is like fine oil upon the head  
that runs down upon the beard,**

**<sup>3</sup> Upon the beard of Aaron,  
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**

**<sup>4</sup> It is like the dew of Hermon  
that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

**<sup>5</sup> For there the LORD has ordained the  
blessing: life for evermore.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

## A READING FROM 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.

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

CANTICLE 8 ~ *The Song of Moses*

*In unison*

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HYMN

*We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* - G. Slater/C. Phillips

## READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF 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."

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

**CANTICLE 21 ~ *You are God***      *In unison*      **Pg. 95-96**

**REFLECTION**

**A TIME OF SILENCE** - *A bell will sound three times.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**      **Pg. 224**

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.**

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**COLLECT FOR MISSION - "*Lord Jesus Christ...*"**      **Pg. 101**

**WE PRAY FOR ALL OF WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS -- THOSE WHO ARE SICK, THOSE WHO'VE DIED, AND THOSE WHO MOURN.**

*Silence*

**AS WE PRAYERS FOR THE FOLKS ON OUR PRAYER LIST ...**

for all who are traveling, especially **Josey Parker** and **Cameron Klass** ...

and those with special needs:

**Mark** Adkins, **Chris** Alexander, **Cora** Alexander, **Bobby** Allgood, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **Barbara** Beck, **Alice** Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Andrea** Cain, **Donna** Campbell, **Stella** Cappel, **Russell** Cinque, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Becky** Clodfelter, **Richard** Cooper, **Morgan** Curia, **Barbara** Dixon, **Johanna** Dresser, **Suzanne** Eller, **Aubrie** Gallen, **Shana** Garland, **Frances** Garner, **Marlon** Gaskins, **Susan** Gibson, **Jan** Greer, **Jane** Grimes, **George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Elizabeth** Harvey, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Joe** Koontz, **Chris and Mike** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Nancy** Hutchins, **Brinkley** Johnson, **Anne** King, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Lynn** Mack, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Nicholas** Melomo, **Molly** Michael, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Page** Onorato, **Lynn** Parsley, **Gabby** Plott, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Clarice and Henry** Surratt, **Robin** Tilley, **Jackie** Touchton, **Toni** Underwood, **Kathy** Watson, **Frances** Welch, **Courtney** Weller, **Susan** Whetmore, **Flynn** Williams, and **Charlotte** Young.

✦ *At this time, you may offer your prayers in the comments bar on Facebook so that we may pray with you through the week.*

**MUSICAL MEDITATION**

*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* - Authur S. Sullivan

**THE PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM**

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**DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

**POSTLUDE**

*The Strife is O'er* - G. W. Cassler

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