

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

10:30 am

Morning Prayer—Rite II

Trinity Episcopal Church



Invite, Include, Inspire

*A Christian community for the realization of God's presence
through worship, relationship, and outreach.*

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Prelude:

Please stand.

Processional Hymn: *That Easter Day the Joy Was Bright* H193



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the
 2 His ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his
 3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness. do
 4 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in
 5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to



1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing
 2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn
 3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee
 4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon
 5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther



1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
 2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.
 3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.
 4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.
 5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

Opening Collect

Officiant: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ. *Corinthians 15:57*

Confession of Sin

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

Officiant and people together:

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by
the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Please stand or sit as you are able.

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP Pg. 80

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People:

**Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him
Alleluia.**

Christ our Passover

BCP pg 83

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has dominion over him.
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, *
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Psalm 133

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live tother 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.

Please be seated.

The First Reading:

Acts 4:32-35

Lector: A reading from the book of Acts.

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.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

A Song of Praise

Officiant:

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *

you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *

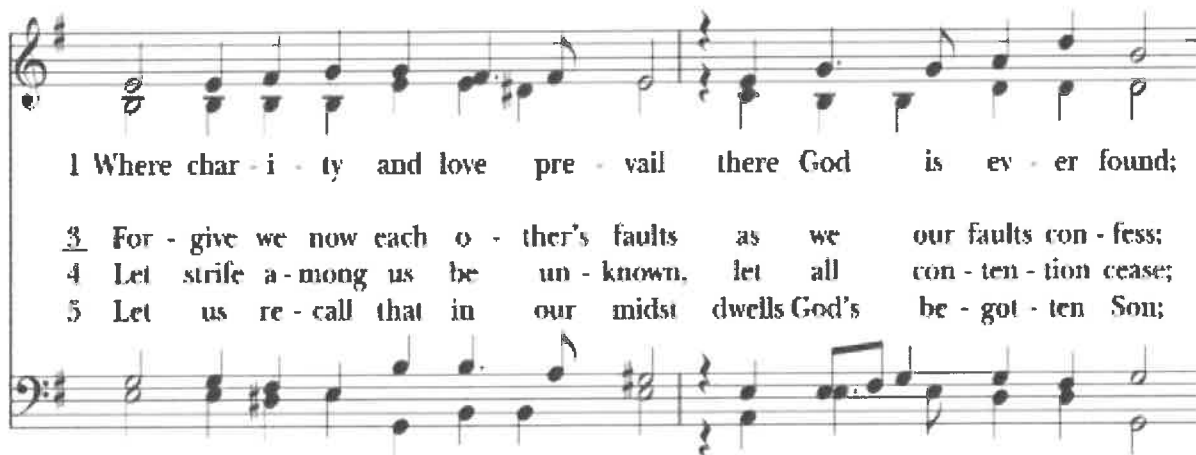
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Please stand.

Hymn: Where Charity and Love Prevail H581 vss 1,3,4 & 5

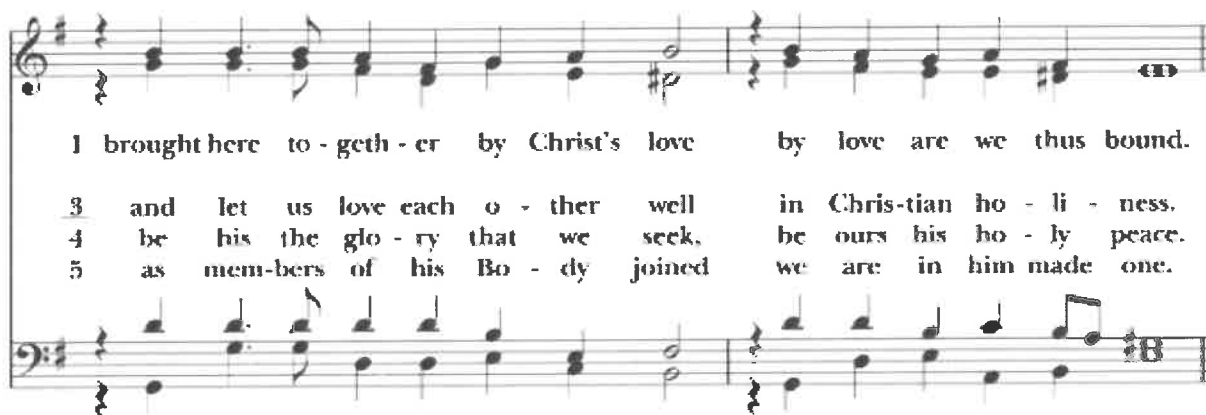


1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;

3 For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;

4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;

5 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;



1 brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.

3 and let us love each o - ther well in Chris - tian ho - li - ness.

4 be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.

5 as mem - bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

The Christian Scripture:

1 John 1:1-2:2

Lector: A reading from 1st 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.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

The Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

Response before the Gospel: **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."

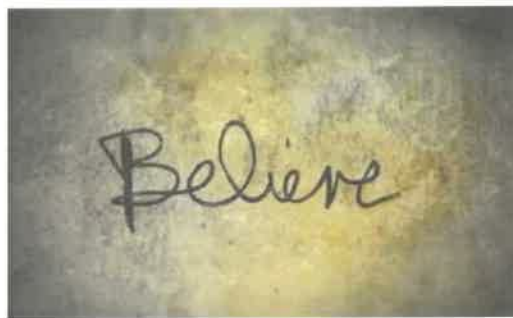
A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."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

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Lord.

Please be seated.



Homily:

Jim Beerbower

From: Sermons That Work

Please stand.

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and all together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried**

**He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Please be seated.


Offering of Tithes and Oblations.

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our
life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Hymn:

We Walk By Faith

H 209



1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as
fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
may our faith a - bound, to call on you when
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you



none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found;
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Please stand.

Officiant: All things come of thee O Lord,

People: and of your own have we given you.

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant and 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.**

Suffrage B *Peoples' response in bold*

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Officiant: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

People: Govern and uphold them, now and always.

Day by day we bless you;

We praise your Name for ever.

Lord, keep us from all sin today;

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your love and mercy;

For we put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope;

And we shall never hope in vain.

Collect of the Day

Officiant: 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.**

A Collect for Sundays

Officiant:

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Collect For Renewal of Life (In Unison)

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Officiant: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: **Hear our prayer.**

Lector: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us he loves us.

Silence

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially **Becky, Diana, Priscilla, Jo, and Jessica.** Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially **Harriet George,** that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lector: Lord, in your mercy

Response: Hear our prayer.

Officiant: 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 General Thanksgiving *(Stand or kneel as you are able)* *CP Pg 101*

Officiant and all together

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts
we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

Officiant and all together

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Please stand.

Recessional: *This Joyful Eastertide* H192 vs 1 & 2

Unison or harmony

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
 2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the

sor riv - er: My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath
 riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my

sprung to life this mor - row.
 pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was

Refrain

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son. our faith had been in
 vain: but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en.

The Closing

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

The Postlude



*Please join us in the Parish Hall following the service
for a time of coffee and fellowship.*

THOSE SERVING TODAY:

Officiant: Jim Beerbower
Organist: Brandon Evans
Lectors: Nancy Blair, Bethany Evans
Usher: Pat Marchal
Camera: Carole Cobb
Altar Guild: Pat Marchal, Carole Van Osdol,
Phyllis Donahoe

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Mon. April 8 at 915 am Contemplative Prayer

Zoom Meeting ID: 818 9854 4534
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Tuesday, April 9 7:00 pm Vestry

Vestry (*normally meets on the second Monday of the month*),
but will meet on **Tuesday, April 9 at 7:00 pm** due to
The Eclipse is taking place on Monday.

Wednesday, April 10: 7:00 pm Celtic Prayer

Thursday, April 11: 11:00 am Book Study will Thurs.,
*Caste: The Origins of Our
Discontent* by Isabel Wilkerson

Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants *Nancy Blair, Diana Bodenmiller, Stephanie Burte, Carole and David Cobb, Sherry Conard*. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your good-ness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants ***Dennis McCarthy, Charlie Sheipline, and Mary Siegel***, all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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