



April 11, 2021
Second Sunday of Easter
According to the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
People say or sing words in bold type.

THE PRELUDE

Prelude on "Coronation" by Gerhard Krapf

Helen Jauregui, organ
Photography by Paul Boyer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Don Hassemmer

OPENING HYMN

Hymnal 212, *Awake, Arise*

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let
2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the
3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in
4 His en - e - mies had sealed the stone as
5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - jice in Christ, a -
2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their
3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to
4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less
5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -

1 gain re - jice and on his prais - es dwell.
2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.
4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.
5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 880 (from Wonder, Love, and Praise book), Pascha nostrum



1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;
 2. Now Christ is raised and will not die a - gain;
 3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

There - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast; for -
 death has no more do - min - ion o - ver him; Through
 though Ad - am's sin had doomed all flesh to die, in
 sak - ing sin, we share the bread of truth. Al -
 him we die to sin and live to God. Al -
 Christ's new life shall all be made a - live. Al -

le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
 le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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 READING

Lector: Ed Cash

A reading from 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.

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

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE Psalm 133 *Ecce, quam bonum!* Psalmist: Linda Geer

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 READING

Lector: Nellie Boyd

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.

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THE SONG AT THE GOSPEL

Hymnal 206, Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing!

Antiphon (at the beginning)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



1 O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing!
 2 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;
 3 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard,
 4 "My pierc - ed side, O Thom - as, see;
 5 No long - er Thom - as then de - nied,
 6 How blest are they who have not seen,



1 The King of heaven, the glo - rious King,
 2 a - midst them came their Lord most dear,
 3 how they had seen the ris - en Lord,
 4 my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
 5 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
 6 and yet whose faith has con - stant been,



1 o'er death and hell rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 and said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 he doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!
 6 for they e - ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant

Antiphon (at the end)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE GOSPEL*John 20:19-31*

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Don Hassemer

THE NICENE CREED

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Litanist: Reenie Neal

Presider: Through the incarnation, death and resurrection of Jesus, God brings a new gift of peace into the world. Let us offer our prayers with thankful hope, saying: God has ordained the blessing; life forevermore.

Litanist: Breathe your Holy Spirit upon your Church, O Gracious One, that we may be of one heart and soul, live together in unity, and bring the light of your reconciling gospel of forgiveness and peace to the whole world.

God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Litanist: Inspire the leaders of our nation and all in authority throughout the world with the breath of your peace, that they may share their possessions with the poor and bring justice and comfort to all who live in fear or need.

God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Be present to any who huddle fearfully behind closed and locked doors and let the healing touch of the wounded Jesus come to comfort all who suffer anywhere on the earth.

God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Let this community walk in your light and do our work of reconciliation, revealing the eternal life that was with the Father and has been revealed to us.

God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Hear the cries of all who grieve like Thomas and of all who suffer from any form of anguish, illness or hurt, that they may touch the healing presence of the risen Christ. We remember especially those on our parish prayer list and others we name before you now ____.

Complete our joy as we offer our words of thanksgiving to you, especially for ____.

Receive into your eternal life all who have died, that they may have life in Christ's name, remembering especially ____.

God has ordained the blessing; **life forevermore.**

Presider: Oh God, how good and pleasant it is, when kindred live together in unity: Fill your people with the breath of your Holy Spirit, O God, and bring us the assurance of forgiveness, that we may be enlivened to participate in Christ's work of reconciliation on behalf of all the world, and share in his eternal life, here and now, and forevermore. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants in the journey of their lives. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the majesty. For everything in Heaven and Earth is yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and you are exalted as head above all.

HE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say...

People: **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 BLESSING

Peace be with you. For God has ordained the blessing: life forevermore.

Peace be with you. For the wounded Christ is risen with healing in his breath.

Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit and live in the life of forgiveness.

And the blessing of our ever-present God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and comfort you, now and always

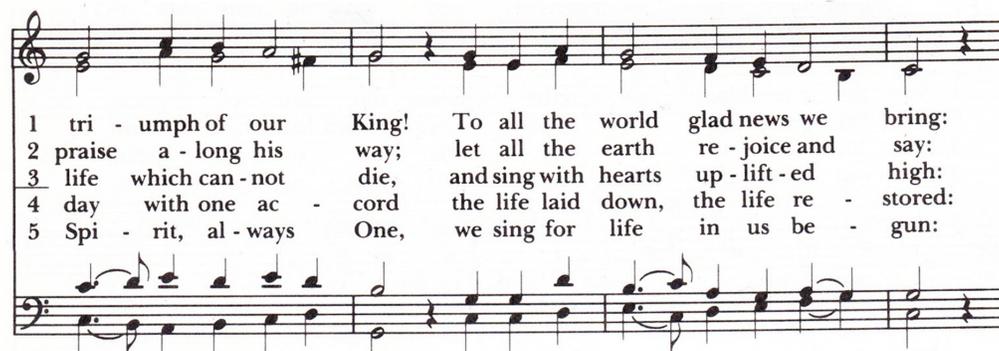
Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN

Hymnal 205, Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing



1 Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the



1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth to bless and serve God's world. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE POSTLUDE

Sine Nomine (Pascha Nostrum) by Arthur Hutchings

Helen Jauregui, organ
Photography by Paul Boyer

CHURCH HISTORY

Eliza LaCount's memories (1934) of Pastor Hoge (1880s)

Dr. Kip Boyd

Thank you for worshiping with us today!
We're grateful for the opportunity to welcome you online
and hope that we can welcome you in person soon.

Please join us for Virtual Coffee Hour at 12:00 pm (noon).
Go to www.stmarksdurango.com for the Zoom link.

We are very grateful to those who have faithfully continued
their regular giving to St. Mark's in this time when we cannot be together.
Many make it an Easter tradition to give a special offering as an expression of
their gratitude for the newness of life that God has made possible in the resurrection.
If you would like to make a special Easter offering, please go to: www.stmarksdurango.com/give.html
In the dropdown menu, you'll see an option marked: "Easter Offering."

Thank you!

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