

SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
 APRIL 3, 2016 - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
 HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II — 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

GATHERING MUSIC

Variations on "Noël Nouvelet" (Hymn 204) Philip Moore  
 At Easter-tide Charles Villiers Stanford

Please stand, as able, at the sound of the chimes.

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

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

HYMNAL #205 *Good Christians All* GELOBT SEI GOTT

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS # S-278

Wm. Mathias

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.

*People* **Amen.**

(Please be seated after the Collect.)

FIRST READING Acts 5:27-32

The reading may be followed in the pew Bible on page 998.

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

PSALM 150

1 Hallelujah!

- Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
 praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; \*  
 praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
 praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; \*  
 praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
 praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath \*  
 praise the LORD. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING Revelation 1:4-8

The reading may be followed in the pew Bible on page 1119.

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

Please stand, as able, for the Alleluia verse and Gospel.

The Alleluia is sung first by the cantor, then repeated by all before and after the verse.

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

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

The reading may be followed in the pew Bible on page 991.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

A period of silence is observed following the sermon.

NICENE CREED

(standing, if able)

**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: 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (standing or kneeling)

*Reader* May the light of Christ shine.  
*People* **May the light of Christ shine.**  
*Reader* Gracious God:  
*All* **By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.** (Collect for St. John's)

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION** *(kneeling, if able)*

*Celebrant* Most merciful God,

*All* 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.

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

*People* Amen.

**THE PEACE** *(standing, if able)*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with those around you.*

**WELCOME** *(Please be seated.)*

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All are invited to share at the Lord's table. At the altar railing you may stand or kneel to receive the bread and the wine. You may drink from the cup or touch the bread to the wine. If you prefer to receive a blessing you may indicate so by crossing your arms. The common loaf is gluten-free.*

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**SOLO** *The Holy City* Stephen Adam

**PRESENTATION** *(sung by all, standing if able)* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A** Book of Common Prayer p. 361

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

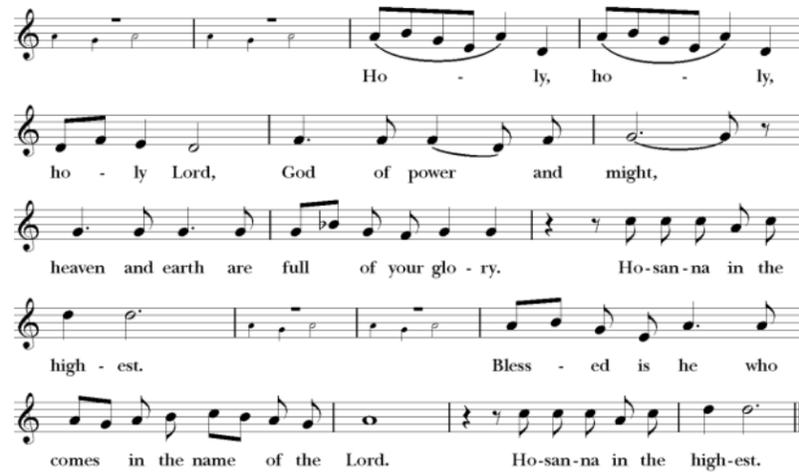
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing,...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS** *(sung by all)* Mathias



*(Please remain standing or kneel, according to your custom.)*

*(Celebrant continues)*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, ...

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

*All* Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*(Celebrant continues)*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, ...

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 for ever.

*People* AMEN.

**LORD'S PRAYER**

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

*All* 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.

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the People of God.

**DISTRIBUTION**

**COMMUNION MUSIC**

**HYMNAL #210** *The Day of Resurrection!* ELLACOMBE

**HYMNAL #209** *We Walk By Faith* ST. BOTOLPH

**HYMNAL #204** *Now the Green Blade Riseth* NOËL NOUVELET

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER** *(said by all, kneeling or standing, )*

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Please stand as able for the closing hymn.*

**HYMNAL #182** *Christ Is Alive!* TRURO

**BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**VOLUNTARY** *Triumphal March on "Lux Eoi"* David Blackwell  
*(Hymnal 191)*

*(You are invited to move forward to the choir stalls for the final music.)*

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**TODAY WE PRAY WITH**

Elisa, Keith, Dorothy, Mary, Ransom, Bill, Nancy, Kathleen, Linda, Glen, Ann, Mildred, Joan, Patricia, Thelma, Norma, Pat, Steve, Ginny and Jack, Camille, Susan, Pat, Christopher, Amy, Annie, the Middle East, refugees and those who serve them, all whose lives have been shattered by violence and injustice, and those you would name.

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

In thanksgiving for the lives of Melissa Mosvick, Gordon Kallstrom & Daniel Kallstrom.

**ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE**

CELEBRANT *The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson*

PREACHER *The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller*

DEACON *The Reverend Margaret Thor*

ALTAR GUILD *Dusty Mairs, Shirley Cooper, Phyllis Frisby, Patty Byrne Pfalz, Phillip Baird, Bill Sherfey*

GUEST ORGANIST *Sharon Kleckner*

SOLOIST *Heather Hunt*

ACOLYTES *Matt Brooks, Charlie Docherty, Will Rinkoff,*

*Thea Bishop, Ailsa Schmidt*

READERS *Judy Southwick, Jeff Olsen*

VERGER *Joan Potter*

USHERS & GREETERS *Alden Drew, Terri Fishel, Diane Power, Phyllis Frisby, Vern Kasskert, Lea Anne Schmidt*

COFFEE HOUR *Godly Play families*

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