

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Sykesville, Maryland
The Second Sunday of Easter
April 7, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

Hymn 205 **Good Christians all, rejoice and sing**

Gelobt sei Gott

1. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

2. The Lord of life is ris'n today;
Death's mighty stone is rolled away;
Let every tongue rejoice and say:
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

3. We praise in songs of victory
That Love, that Life, which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high:
"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Words of Welcome

The Word of God

Priest Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant and People:

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. *Amen*

Gloria S-280

Leo Sowerby

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and
Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the
Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the
right hand of the Father receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone
are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Priest The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Priest Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

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 Lesson

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 133

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when people 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.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Sequence Hymn

Hymn 188 Love's redeeming work is done

Savannah

1. Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won.
 Death in vain forbids him rise; Christ has opened paradise.
2. Lives again our glorious King; where, O death, is now thy sting?
 Once he died our souls to save, where thy victory, O grave?
3. Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head;
 made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

All stand for the Gospel reading

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

People *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." 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.

After the Gospel, the priest says The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon: The Rev. Timothy H. Grayson

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: 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.*

The Prayers of the People

*On this day we praise our God for the dying which destroyed our death, and we pray for our world in need of life, saying: **Lord, have mercy.***

The Lord calls us to examine the wounded hands and feet of the risen one and to know the depth of his love for us. Let us approach Christ in faith and share the good news with all we meet. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

The apostles received the Holy Spirit and the grace to lighten the burdens of one another's sin. May the church be faithful to this gift. May all the baptized live with abundant compassion for all, especially for those shut out from the society. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ calls us blest who not having seen, yet believe. May more and more of God's people and all the created order become a sign of the resurrection in the world, and may our faith give courage to the doubting. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

We are strengthened by Christ's resurrection to share the power of the Spirit with all the suffering. We pray for all in any need. May the power of Christ's resurrection give life to all who have little reason to hope. For this let us pray to the Lord: For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

May that morning star which never sets, Christ our light, find us burning with charity until the world is enlightened with love. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

(Please join the intercessor in saying the names of those on our parish prayer list)

Immediate Concerns: Anita Williamson

Ongoing Concerns: Al Antonelli, Larry Ballantine, Wendy Benz, Kathy Bigelo, John Bittorie, Jakisha Blackwell, Tom Breeden, Margaret Broadwater, Karen Jean Chappell, Lucille Clarke, Michael Cross, Aaron Ellis, Barbara Foxwell, Dylan Foxwell, Barbara Fuston, Sandra Gaines, Bob Gault, Nancy Gerace, Fr. Gary Hawkins, Melissa Hawkins-Holt, Mary Johnson, Jim Kinnear, Amanda Lehew, Mike McNeley, Meg McPherson, Michelle McTaggart, Dan Moyer, Scott Murphy, Ollie Rivera, Tim Robinson, Vic Russell, Bobbie Schneider, Kim Simpson, Rachel Stevens, Jenn Thatcher, Jim Thatcher, James Wade, Debbie Walsh and the Rev. Mary Walton. We pray: **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died, especially Stacy Bonsall, that she be at peace. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the leaders of Israel and Hamas, Ukraine and Russia, the Sudan, and all other nations at war, that killing will cease and peace prevail. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the victims of gun violence and mass shootings in our country, and for the parents, relatives, and friends of those killed. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our bishops, Eugene, and Carrie, and for our priest, Tim. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the residents, staff, and volunteers at Copper Ridge and the Night-by-Night Shelter. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Homework Club at the Historic Colored Schoolhouse -- the volunteer teachers, the students, and their parents. For this let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Birthday Prayer –Malcolm Ewell and Kellie Patterson

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants Malcolm and Kellie, as they begin another year. 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.*

Anniversary Prayer – Shannon Flannagan and Matt Hyle, and Mary Lees and Chris Gunther

Shannon and Matt, and Mary and Chris, may the Lord smile upon you in all your comings and goings. May you share more blessings than burdens, more laughter than tears, and more strength than you will ever need. May the past make you grateful and the future make you hopeful. And may each passing year of your togetherness affirm that love lasts when you put faith and family first. And as you continue to walk hand in hand under God's heaven, may your path be smooth and your memories sweet, now and for all the days to come. *Amen.*

Let us now offer our own prayers of intercession or thanksgiving, silently or aloud (**Pause**)

Celebrant: We lift these prayers to you, O God, that they may be acceptable in your sight. Help us to answer your call to discipleship this day and every day, and to walk lovingly alongside our neighbors in Christ's name. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

Minister and People

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.*

The Priest stands and says,

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. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Offertory Hymn 206 O sons and daughters let us sing

O filii et filiae

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

1. O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King,
o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!
2. That night the apostles met in fear; amidst them came their Lord most dear,
and said, "My peace be on all here." Alleluia!
3. When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
4. "My pierced side, O Thomas, see; my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!
5. No longer Thomas then denied, he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!
6. How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been;
for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Doxology:**Verse 3, Hymn 380****Old 100th**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Holy Communion**Eucharistic Prayer B**

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.

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 you 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 S-129***Holy, holy, holy Lord******Powell***

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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 for ever. *Amen.*

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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Fraction Anthem S-163 Agnus Dei

Powell

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn 409 I want to walk as a child of the light

Houston

1. I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain:

*In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

2. I want to see the brightness of God. I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father. *[Refrain]*

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. *[Refrain]*

After Communion, the Celebrant says:
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

The Post Communion Prayer

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 Blessing

Hymn 193 **That Easter day with joy was bright** *Puer Nobis*

1. That Easter day with joy was bright: the sun shone out with fairer light
When, to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord!
2. His risen flesh with radiance glowed; his wounded hands and feet He showed;
Those scars their solemn witness gave that Christ was risen from the grave.
3. O Jesus, King of gentleness, with constant love our hearts possess
That we may give You all our days the tribute of our grateful praise.
4. O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide;
From ev'ry weapon death can wield Your own redeemed forever shield.
5. All praise to you, O risen Lord, now both by heav'n and earth adored;
To God the Father equal praise, and God the Spirit, now we raise!

The Dismissal

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The FLOWERS on the Altar are to the Glory of God

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Parish Ministries

(Please call the office for phone numbers or consult the parish directory)

Acolytes, Crucifers and Greeters – Grace Mercer

Altar Guild – Shari Hodges

Blanket Ministry - Chris Gunther

Choir – Julia Colonna, Music Director

Copper Ridge Spiritual Companions – Fr. Tim

E.S.C.A.P.E. Ministries – Linda Pugh

Homework Club at HCS – Pam Jacobs

Hospitality – Pat Lochran, Linda Pugh

Livestreaming – Lisa Thomas

Night-by-Night Shelter– Wayne Pugh

Pantry Project – Jill Singleton

Prayer Bead Ministry – Lisa Thomas

Readers – Huston Jacobs

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