

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

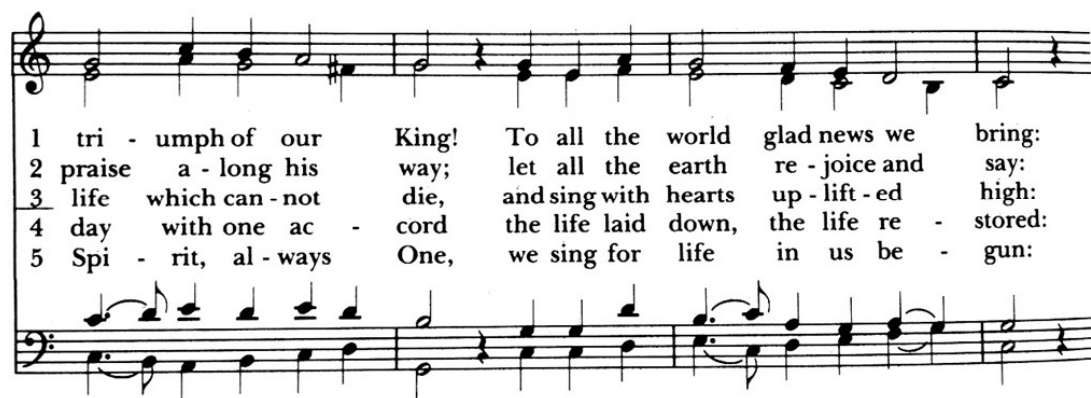
Morning Prayer – April 11, 2021

### OPENING HYMN - “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing”

# 205, Hymnal 1982



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!

### WELCOME

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Officiant:*

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*1 Corinthians 15:57*

### THE INVITATORY

*Officiant:* Lord, open our lips.

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

*Officiant: 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.*

**CHRIST OUR PASSOVER**

*Pascha nostrum*

*Officiant and People:*

*Alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover is 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 in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.*

**PSALM 133**

*Harold Boyd, reader*

- 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.*

*Reader: 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.*

**THE FIRST LESSON - ACTS 4:32-35**

*Harold Boyd, reader*

*Reader: 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.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**HYMN - "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"**

# 490, Hymnal 1982

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.  
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.  
I want to look at Je - sus.  
I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The  
Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and  
When we have run with pa - tience the race, we

star of my life — is Je - sus.  
show me the way to the Je - sus.  
shall know the joy of the Fa - ther.  
Je - sus.

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*Refrain*

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

*a tempo*

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

# **THE GOSPEL - JOHN 20:19-31**

*The Rev. Deacon Emmetri Beane*

*Gospeler:* A reading from the Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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.

*Gospeler:* Here ends the reading.

**SONG – “Sing with the Angels, Sing”**

*Words by John Masefield  
Tune by Michael Gray*

Sing with the angels sing,  
For God our life and King  
Has given light and spring and morning breaking.  
Now may our souls arise,  
as kinsfolk to the skies  
And God unseals his eyes to an awaking.

Sing, creatures, sing; the dust  
That lives by lure and lust  
Is kindled by the thrust of life undying.  
This hope our Master bare  
Has made all fortunes fair,  
And we can on and dare, our death defying.

After the winter snows  
A wind of healing blows  
And thorns put forth a rose, and lilies cheer us.  
Life's everlasting spring  
Has robbed death of its sting,  
Henceforth a cry can bring our Master near us.

**THE SERMON**

*The Rev. Michael Gray*

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Officiant and People:*

***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.*

### **THE PRAYERS**

*Officiant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* *And also with you.*

*Officiant:* Let us pray.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*Officiant and 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.*

### **Suffrages A**

*Officiant:* Show us your mercy, O Lord;

*People:* *And grant us your salvation.*

*Officiant:* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

*People:* *Let your people sing with joy.*

*Officiant:* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

*People:* *For only in you can we live in safety.*

*Officiant:* Lord, keep this nation under your care;

*People:* *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*

*Officiant:* Let your way be known upon earth;

*People:* *Your saving health among all nations.*

*Officiant:* Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

*People:* *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

*Officiant:* Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
*People:* ***And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.***

## **THE COLLECTS**

*Officiant:*

### **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.***

### **A Collect for Sundays**

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. ***Amen.***

### **A Collect for Grace**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## **A LITANY OF THE RESURRECTION**

*Excerpted from John Henry Newman, Meditation and Devotions*

*Deacon:* God the Father of Heaven,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* God the Holy Ghost,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Holy Trinity, one God,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, Redeemer of mankind,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, Conqueror of sin and Satan,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, triumphant over Death,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, the Holy and the Just,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, the Resurrection, and the Life,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, the Giver of grace,  
*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Jesus, the Judge of the world,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Who didst lay down Thy life for Thy sheep,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Who didst rise again the third day,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Who didst manifest Thyself to Thy chosen,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Appearing to Magdalen while she wept,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Sending Thy angels to the holy women,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Comforting the Eleven, and saying to them, Peace,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Breathing on them the Holy Ghost,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Confirming the faith of Thomas,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* Committing Thy flock to Peter,

*People:* ***Have mercy on us.***

*Deacon:* That we may walk in newness of life,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may advance in the knowledge of Thee, and that we may grow in grace,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may ever have the bread of life,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may persevere unto the end,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may have confidence before Thee at Thy coming, and that we may behold Thy face with joy,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may be placed at Thy right hand in the judgment,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Deacon:* That we may have our lot with the saints,

*People:* ***We beseech Thee, hear us.***

*Officiant:* Christ is risen, Alleluia.

*People:* ***He is risen indeed, and hath appeared unto Simon, Alleluia.***



*Deacon:*

O God, who by Thy only begotten Son hast overcome death, and opened on us the way to eternal life, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, so to confirm us by Thy grace, that we may in all things walk after the manner of those who have been redeemed from their sins, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **THE BLESSING**

*Officiant:*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon:* Let us go forth in the power of the resurrection to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

### **CLOSING HYMN** – “Holy, Holy”

# 206, *Renew! Hymnal*

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
2. Gra-cious Fa - ther, gra-cious Fa - ther, we're so  
3. Pre-cious Je - sus, pre-cious Je - sus, we're so  
4. Ho - ly Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it, come and  
5. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le -

ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y; and we  
blest to be your chil - dren, gra - cious Fa - ther; and we  
glad that you've re - deemed us, pre - cious Je - sus; and we  
fill our hearts a - new, Ho - ly Spir - it; and we  
lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah; and we

lift our hearts be - fore you as a to - ken of our love,  
 lift our heads be - fore you as a to - ken of our love,  
 lift our hands be - fore you as a to - ken of our love,  
 lift our voice be - fore you as a to - ken of our love,  
 lift our hearts be - fore you as a to - ken of our love,

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.  
 gra - cious Fa - ther, gra - cious Fa - ther.  
 pre - cious Je - sus, pre - cious Je - sus.  
 Ho - ly Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it.  
 hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

### Weekly Intercessions and Thanksgivings

#### Birthdays this week:

April 12: Michelle Greenfield

April 15: James Jorgensen

April 17: Chuck Green

April 15: Walter Burton

April 15: Carolyn Mawdsley

#### Anniversaries: Apr 12: Terry Stein & Richard

#### Needs of our own congregation and others:

Amanda Morin  
 Anne Morris  
 Doris Stover  
 Barbara Cook  
 Benjamin Ryan  
 Bill Browning  
 Bo Cornwell  
 Buddy Clark  
 Carol Galloway  
 Catherine  
 Edie Clark

Haley Clark  
 Jeanette Goss  
 Joe Leary  
 Kirsten Brannon  
 Martha Turner  
 Melanie Chambers  
 Nadine  
 Ray Johns  
 Robert Dodd  
 Russ Lloyd  
 Sally Jebson

Sonja Johns  
 Stephen Brown  
 Steve Breedwell  
 Wayne Sanders  
 Gina Kizer  
 Caitlin Turner  
 Patrick & Della Edrington  
 Anthony Smith-Cavendish  
 Josh Blevins

Departed: None

Military:

Braeden Woodside (AWSAN USN)  
Carrington Travers (PO)  
David A. Hoffman (Lt. Col.)  
Jessica Helsel (Capt.)  
Michael Sprinkel (US Navy)

Matthew Stevens (RTC USMC)  
Nate Cotter (USMC)  
Rudolph Travers, Jr. (E3)  
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