



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer. The service is printed here in its entirety.

The Opening Voluntary

The Opening Hymn

He is risen, he is risen!
Hymnal 180

The Liturgy of the Word

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

The People say together

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.

The Gloria

Hymnal S 278

Children ages 4-10 are invited to gather at the rear of the church to attend Children's Chapel, returning during the Peace.

The 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. *Amen.*

The First Reading ~ Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will live in hope.
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One experience corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm ~ 16

The psalm is sung by the choir.

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
 I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
 upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods *
 shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
 nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
 it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
 indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
 my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; *
 because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
 my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
 nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; *
 in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are
 pleasures for evermore.

The Second Reading ~ 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

Christ is alive!

Hymnal 182

The Holy Gospel ~ John 20:19-31

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Mark S. Johnson

A period of silence is kept.

The Nicene Creed

All say together

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 — Form III

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People *That we all may be one.*

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

Intercessor We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest;
People *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially Keith, Al, and Grover. We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Robert, Jr., Elizabeth, Noah, Hudson, Jackson, Tony, Robert, Lanie Mae, Sophie, Julia, Gina, Hank, Kemrey, and Caroline.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Blessings and Thanksgivings

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

That Easter-tide with Joy was Bright
Henry Ley

The Presentation Hymn

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Hymn 205

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.

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 your 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:

The Sanctus

Hymnal S 128

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 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.

The Great Amen

Hymnal S146



The Celebrant then continues

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

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S 154

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Holy Communion is offered via the common cup for sipping or intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine). Gluten-free wafers are available at the side altar.

The Communion Anthem

I Will Be a Child of Peace
Elaine Hagenberg

The Communion Hymn

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord
Hymnal 178

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Father of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.

The Closing Hymn

Awake, arise, lift up your voice
Hymnal 212

The Blessing

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 everlasting 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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Remember in your Prayers

A Prayer for Love (From The Daughters of the King): Bless us with Love, O Merciful God; That we may love as you love. That we may show patience, tolerance, kindness, caring, and love to all. Bless us with your love.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Alice Jakubiak, Anne Petrey, Amaya Wills, Ramsey Hopkins, Vincent Cardinalli, Bob Kirk, David Waldron, Karen Dean, Tara Poindexter, Bob McKoon, Shelly, Danielle, and Allison Reese, Carol Costa, Gordon Ramsey, Brenda Daniel, Don Jones, David Sellers, Richard Dickson, Brittany Perry, David Boyd, Jr., Keith Williams, Grover Grendzinski.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Brink Howard, Wendy Llosa, Greg Parsons, Melanie Patton, Father Bruno, Ed Sergent, Ernie Williams, David Sandlin, Mark Starr, Annie Bulford, Joan Doggrell, Marcy Brewer, Kelsey Crow, Jaron Smith, Al Williams.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Marianne, Mark, Frankey, Marge, Mary Frances, Polly, Tony, Roy, Virginia and for the Rector and Staff: Hazel, Mark, David, Dawn, Cynthia, Geoff, Cole, Nicole, Kimberly.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Phil Kearney, Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., Scott Woodward, Luke White, Tommy White, Zach Simkins, Jacob Britt, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Michael Rafferty, David Norwood, Arron Essex, Adam Harrison, Sam Vermilyea, Charles Mathews, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg, Ryan Whitfield, Stephen Malcom.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Robert Massenburg, Jr., Elizabeth Massenburg, Noah, Barker, Hudson Mitchell, Jackson Morin, Tony Daniel, Robert Sadler, Lanie Mae Henderson, Sophie Widdowson, Julia Howley, Gina Watkiss, Hank Powell, Kemrey Kidd, and Caroline Colpoys.

We pray for those who have died. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.

Service Participants

Vestry Person of the Week	Frankey Henderson
Vergers	Frankey Henderson & David Martin
Eucharistic Ministers	Lauren Gallagher, Katie McBride-Newman, & Nicole Walters
Readers/Intercessor	Nina Watts
Acolytes	Adele Bulford (1st), Liam Bulford (2nd)
Ushers	Hadley Heindel, Brian Lewis, Rusty Martin, Tammy Martin, Roy Reynolds, Cathy Sandlin, & Steve Umberger

Parish Notices

Adult Formation: Looking for a post-Easter discipline? Want to meet a fun group of parishioners who enjoy getting together to discuss current topics in Christianity as they relate to a book chosen by the group? Please meet us in Conference Room 2 off of the Parish Hall on Sunday, April 16th at 9:30 a.m. as adult formation begins a study of Madeline L'Engle's book *Walking on Water*. L'Engle is the author of *A Wrinkle in Time* and other well-known books. *Walking on Water* is available in paperback through Amazon.

Healing Service: Wednesday Healing Services are held at 11 a.m. in the Nave.

Let's Dance: The Rutledge Center, a nearby non-profit providing person-centered services to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Rutledge clients and staff will be in the Parish Hall on the third Tuesday of every month from 9:00 - 9:45 a.m., experiencing a joyful dance-centered time facilitated by Anne Graner. If you are available to assist Anne in setting up the space, interacting with our Rutledge friends, and dancing your heart out, please contact her at 404.444.6015 or anne.graner@gmail.com. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 18th.

American Red Cross Blood Drive: Consider giving! The next St. Paul's American Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2023.

Wednesday Night Supper: Come and spend time with the St. Paul's family for Wednesday Night Supper! Families pay a maximum of \$20. A signup sheet is available on the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall, email admin@stpaulsnewnan.org, or register and pay via Realm. Please sign up before *Tuesdays at 12 p.m.* so that we can make sure to order enough food.

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour will be available after the 10:30 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. For anyone who is interested in joining the Coffee Hour ministry please contact Nikki Henderson via email at Nikki.Henderson@cowetaschools.net for more information about how to get involved. Come for further fellowship with the St. Paul's family.

Prayer Requests: Prayer requests for the parish prayer list or the confidential Daughters of the King prayer list may be submitted online, via admin@stpaulsnewnan.org, or you may also contact Hazel+ directly.

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