



HOLY EUCHARIST II

St. Peter's Episcopal Church

The Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

10 a.m.

PRELUDE

Fantasia on Christ ist erstanden

Kevin Uppercue

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! *All stand, as able*

Gelobt sei Gott

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

HYMN S278 Glory to God

William Mathias



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



mighty God and Fa-ther,

we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry.

3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider 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 LESSON

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:14-29

14 The Lord is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! *
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.

20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
 has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing, *
 and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the Lord has acted; *
 we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! *
 Lord, send us now success.

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *
 we bless you from the house of the Lord.

27 God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *
 form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *
 you are my God, and I will exalt you."

29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
 his mercy endures for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 209 We walk by faith, and not by sight *vv. 1-2* *All stand, as able*

St. Botolph

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HYMN 209 We walk by faith, and not by sight *vv. 3-4*

St. Botolph

THE SERMON

The Rev. Christopher Whiteman

THE NICENE CREED

All stand, as able

All **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

Intercessor United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless Julia our bishop, and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit, that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all those who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

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Intercessor Touch and heal all those whose lives who suffer in mind, body, and spirit, especially Lily; Chris; David Auxer; James and family; Sandy; Katharine Pearce; Lorraine Legendre; Ava; Leona; Karen; Daisy; Wayne Ferris; the Lewis family; Marilyn and family; Mary Lou and Robert F. Brown, Jr.; Tiago; Cathleen Tottey; the Gillette-Scharff family; Carla Wilkins; Maryjane; Carmela; Matt; Barbara Jo and Mick Heath; Betsy; Richard Kramer; Allison Pearce; Duffy Oyster; Andrew; Jeannie; Kathy; Michael; the Graham-Jastrzembski family; Bill Allen; Molly; Jim Norris; the Sinclair Family; Samantha Scolamiero; Emily; Kim; Daniel Chandra and family; Bob; Chris Ruana; Stacey; Al; Susan; Carol Stevenson; Peter and Sarah; Theda Aiken; Linda; Thelma Wint; Heather Proulx; Richard Hendricks; that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy. God of love

All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Remember in your mercy all those gone before us, who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity; especially Basil W. and Ruth Fillmore; Jacqueline Fillmore Davis; Tina and George Klibansky; Walter Klibansky; Richard H. Boudreau; George, Mabel, Helen and John Wales; Mary Perrott; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom, and grant us your peace at all times. God of love
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom. God of love
All **hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.
All **Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour and power, be to our God for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said, 'Peace be with you.'
 Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia. *John 20.19, 20*
 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN 193 That Easter day with joy was bright

Puer nobis

PRESENTATION HYMN

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God all creatures here below:
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
 Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
 Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Presider 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:

HYMN 125 Holy, holy, holy Lord

Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



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Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

All Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Peter and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our Salvation.

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider 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.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
All **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

WLP 876 The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Jack Warren Burnam

Antiphon
Cantor, then all

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing -
— of the bread.

1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -

ia, is the com - mun - ion of the Bod - y of Christ.
ia, for though ma - ny we share one bread.

All repeat Antiphon

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THE INVITATION

THE COMMUNION

All desiring a closer relationship with God are welcome to partake in the bread and the wine. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, come forward and cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

HYMN 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

All 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 184 Christ the Lord is risen again!

Christ ist erstanden

THE DISMISSAL

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

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Gilbert M. Martin

Our liturgy this morning is from the Book of Common Prayer, Enriching our Worship 1, and Common Worship (The Church of England).

The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Basil W. and Ruth Fillmore, Jacqueline Fillmore Davis, Tina and George Klibansky, Walter Klibansky, Richard H. Boudreau, George, Mabel, Helen and John Wales, Mary Perrott

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