Mary of Magdala, April 12, 2026
2nd Sunday in Eastertide —All Together Everywhere, ALLELUIA!!!!

Presider: Reverend Jane Reina
Homilist: Thomas Moos

Welcome and Announcements *Lector Lynne Barnes*
Social Justice Reflection *Jared Orsi*

Entrance Song Alleluia Love Is Alive (V1; R; V2; R)

Greeting Rev. Jane Reina

Welcome to the 2nd Sunday in the Easter Season, also known as The Great 50 Days, which ends on Pentecost.

In today's readings we hear Jesus helping the disciples transition from the pre-Jesus-in-the-flesh to Jesus-as-a-presence within; as Jesus is in God, so God is in us. Jesus only presents himself to Thomas the Doubter when Thomas returns to the community, such entanglement.

Jesus begins immediately after the resurrection, "In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week…" At this early time, the 1st day of the week, Jesus says, Peace be with you 3 times. "Within you" is because of the presence of God within us which is awakened by the Risen Jesus during the next 50 days.

Please feel free to sit or stand as together, here and at home, we take a deep breath and relax. Notice how you are feeling today, and enter into the presence of that Holy Mystery of which Jesus belongs, who loves us infinitely and unconditionally.

Welcoming the peace Jesus offers into our hearts we pray:



+ In the name of the All-Compassionate Creative Mystery we call God, Jesus -- our Christ, and the Holy Spirit -- Sophia. **Alleluia**

Penitential Rite

In humble gratitude for Benevolent never-ending love we pray:

All: Together, we turn back to you, O Risen Jesus, knowing you accept us even in the midst of our turning, just by our yearning to return to you. Bless us with both *knowledge* and *experience of you* as we turn with deep longing and open hearts for the peace you offer. We come in fragility and vulnerability recognizing the disturbing violence in our own hearts.

Rev. Jane

We turn back to you, Jesus our Christ, when we become complacent and nonresponsive to your call, forgetting your presence within us.

All: We thank you, Jesus our Christ, for your Presence.

We turn back to you, O God, when we encounter our fear and surrender to you.
All: We thank you, O God, for your faithfulness.

We turn back to you, Holy Spirit, when we realize that Jesus is calling us to a transformation through our oneness in community.
All: We thank you, Holy Spirit, as we are transformed together into the Breath of God.

Rev. Jane:

Jesus of Nazareth, you became one of us from the Self-Emptying Love Mystery. Now as Christ, you call us to find our peace in you through your teaching to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us, truly making us one with you. **All: Amen**

Gloria Glory To God (Mass of St MM)

Opening Prayer

God, the blessed Holy Three, is within you **All: And also within you**.

Let us pray:
God of Peace, open the door to the upper room for us. Find us there, hiding under the table, fearful of what will be asked of us. Will we be asked to die many small deaths as you did, or for a big life sacrifice as you did, for what we believe as you believed? Give us a deep sense of the meaning of your resurrected Presence within us; fill us with the light of Easter; open our hearts to that which you continually set before us -- Wonderous Beauty, Truth and Goodness. Send your Presence more deeply into our wounded selves so that seeking and accepting your healing, we may bring your healing to our neighbors.

May the Spirit of the Risen Christ breathe peace into our hearts. **All:** Alleluia.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated as we listen to the inspired Word of God speaking to us.

First Reading **Acts 2: 38-39, 5:42-47.** *Lector: Lynnes Barnes*

Peter said to all those who were gathered in Jerusalem,

"Repent and be baptized, each one of you, in the name of

Jesus the Christ, that you may know the depths and

transformative power of forgiveness. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. It was to you and to your children, O Jerusalem, that the promise was made, *and* to all those still far off whom our God calls."

Those who joined the following of Jesus the Christ devoted themselves to instruction and the common life, to the breaking of bread, and prayer. Everyone was filled with awe; and many wonders and signs were brought about through the apostles. Those who believed lived together and shared all things in common. They would sell their property and goods, sharing the proceeds with one another as each had need. Day by day, they gathered in the Temple, and broke bread together in their homes. They shared their meals with joyful and sincere hearts, praising God. They enjoyed the goodwill of all the people. Day by day, God added to their number.

The Word of an Early Church Chronicler. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm 118. *Lector Lynne Barnes*

Our response is: This is the day our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it!

All: This is the day our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it!

Let the House of Israel proclaim God's Love endures forever!

Let the House of Elisheva [Elizabeth] and Aaron sing God's Love endures forever!

Let all those whom God calls know God is Love and endures forever!

All: This is the day our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it!

I was pressed to the point of falling. God came to my help. God is my strength and my song. God is my vindication! Listen! There are glad songs of freedom in the tents of the just.

All: This is the day our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it!

I will not die, but live! I will sing the wonders of our God. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. God has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that God has made.

Let us rejoice today and be glad!

All: This is the day our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it!

Second Reading **1 Peter: 1: 1-2, 3-9.** *Lector: Jim Berry*

To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia. May grace and peace be. yours in abundance.

Blessed be the God and the Life-Source of Jesus the Christ! In

holy compassion, God gave us new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus the Christ from the dead. We now have an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and

unfading, kept in the cosmic realms for you. By divine action, you are safeguarded through faith to a destiny and liberation ready to be revealed in the final time.

In this you rejoice! However, now—or a little while—you may have to suffer various trials. Through these trials, like gold tested in the fire, the genuineness of your faith is proved. Your living faith ***is*** praise, glory, and honor, and you will be vindicated at the revelation of Jesus the Christ.

Even though you have not seen Jesus, you love him. Even though you do not see him now, you believe in him. You rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy as you attain the goal of your faith, the fullness of Life.

The Word of an Early Church Leader.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Proclamation Alleluia (Mass of St MM)

Gospel

Our Loving God is within you. **All: And also within you.**

A proclamation of the Gospel according to **John 20: 19-31**

All: Glory to you O God.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were locked in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Temple authorities.

Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Having said this, the savior showed them the marks of crucifixion.

The disciples were filled with joy when they saw Jesus, who said to them again, “Peace be with you. As Amma/Abba God sent me, so I’m sending you.”

After saying this, Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven. If you retain anyone’s sins, they are retained.”

It happened that one of the Twelve, Thomas, —nicknamed Didymus, or Twin—was absent when Jesus came. the other disciples kept telling him, “We’ve seen Jesus!”

Thomas’ answer was, “I’ll never believe it without putting my finger in the nail marks and my hand into the spear wound.”

On the eighth day the disciples were once more in the room, and this time Thomas was with them. Despite the locked doors, Jesus came and stood before them, saying, “Peace be with you. “

then to Thomas, Jesus said, “Take your finger and examine my hands. Put your hand into my side. Don’t persist in your unbelief, but believe!”

Thomas said in response, “My Savior and my God!”

Jesus then said,

> “You’ve become a believer
>
> because you saw me.
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> Blessed are those who have not seen

and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs as well—signs not recorded here—in the presence of the disciples. But these have been recorded to help you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Only Begotten, so that by believing you may have life in Jesus' Name.

The Good News of Jesus our Christ. **All: Praise to you Jesus our Christ.**

Homily **Thomas Moos**

A Creed
All: We believe in one God, one human family, one planetary community, one body, one love, uniting all in beauty, for God's infinite love is infinite, fecund and beautiful.
We believe we are entangled with all earth life and all living creatures,
We believe this future is the relational unity of all living things in God.
We believe this earth has a future entangled with God.
We believe the heart of God is love. Amen.
A Profession of Faith, from Christogenesis

Prayers of the People

Rev. Jane: May the Peace of Christ shine through us, bringing healing and peace to all creation. So we pray…
Lector Jim Berry
May we see with the eyes of the astronauts' experience that our home planet has no borders, no political boundaries, we are all one people. We pray
All: Loving God ,we dwell in Your presence.

May we join with Pope Leo proclaiming "Let those who have weapons lay them down. Let those who have the power to unleash wars choose peace". We pray
All: Loving God ,we dwell in Your presence.

May we with the Eucharistic Christ find ways to respect the power of drought and water usage for the health and wellbeing of all Coloradoans. We pray
All: Loving God ,we dwell in Your presence.

The prayers from the sanctuary are: . . . We pray
All: Loving God, we dwell in Your presence.

Are there prayers from our members on zoom? We pray

All: Loving God, we dwell in Your presence.

And for all the prayers we hold in our hearts… We pray

All: Loving God, we dwell in Your presence.

Rev. Jane O Holy Mystery, hear our prayers joined with all the prayers world-wide for peace. Help us awaken to our own power from you to love and unite through reconciliation, nonviolence and peace. **All: Amen**

The Peace

Jesus, you said to your apostles: "Peace be with you." May the Peace of Christ be in all of you. **All: And also within you.**
Please turn toward the camera to offer a sign of peace to our siblings online, and then toward each other.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

As we prepare our tables with whatever food we have, we are reminded that our offerings of time, talent, and treasure sustain the mission of God's church. Please continue to give as you are called and able.
Let us sing together. . .

Offertory Ye Sons and Daughters (V1; R; V4; R; V5; R; V6; R)

Preparation of the Gifts *(during Offertory song)*

Blessed are You, God of all creation. Through Your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the source of forgetfulness of ourselves as we join in the humility of God. . ***{All: Blessed be God forever.}***



*By the mystery of this water and wine, the co-mingling of humanity and divinity in Jesus, may we come to understand that Jesus brings us to wholeness through the eternal humbling of Christ. {**All: Blessed be God forever.**}*

O God, wash away my iniquity and ambivalence, cleanse my heart to love more.

Pray, my beloved siblings, that our offering may be acceptable to God.
All: May God accept our offering at your hands for the praise and glory of God's name for our good and the good of all God's creation.

Eucharistic Prayer

Christ is within you. **All: And also within you.**
Let us open our hearts**.** **All: We open them up to God.**
Let us give thanks to God. **All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, compassionate and faithful God—to you we offer thanks and praise everywhere and always. All that exists has its origin in you. You, O God, are creation's eternal fulfillment. We thank you for our planetary home and our living cosmos beyond our understanding, all holy and sacred.

We thank you for emptying Yourself into time through Jesus.
For the life of Jesus—compassionate, nonviolent, forgiving, healing, trusting, and eternally present—transforms our living. The life of Jesus calls us to a deeper peace not of this world.

We praise you, O Holy Mystery. Therefore, we gladly join our voices praising you with the entire cosmos, the whole of creation:

Holy (Mass of St MM)

Flowing from the Exquisite Love visible and invisible throughout the entire cosmos, send your Holy Spirit to heal us and our planet. Please join us in raising your hands over the gifts:



Holy Spirit, come, sanctify these gifts of the earth, bread and wine ++, that they may become the Body and Blood of Jesus our Christ.

Together, we, the Body of Christ, remember what Jesus did at table and in life. Who, on the night before he was betrayed, and among friends, He took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

All: Take this all of you, and eat it: this is my Body, which will be given up for you.

When supper was ended, he took the cup; again he gave you thanks and, handing the cup to his disciples, said:

All: Take this, all of you, and drink from it: This is the cup of my Blood, the Blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Memorial Acclamation (Mass of St MM)

God of Peace, through Jesus our Christ you have entrusted us with this Passover meal, this pledge of Love.

Together then with your servants of the Ecumenical Catholic Communion, and people of every faith and no faith, we remember that your Love is our salvation not our possession. May your love convert us from the pattern of this passing world, and conform us to the pattern of the Eternal Christ.

Remember, O Holy Mystery, all those who have died. *(pause)* Welcome them into your all-embracing Love where you gather all people into yourself.

Setting our wisdom, our own wills, our words aside, emptying our hearts and bringing

nothing in our hands, we yearn to unite with the Love Christ offers our world as together now we say…

All: Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, self-emptying/life-giving God, forever and ever.

Amen (Mass of St MM)

The Prayer of Jesus

Please turn to those of us at home. Joining together we pray the words that Jesus gave us…

All: Abba/Amma God in heaven Holy is Your name. Your kin-dom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kin-dom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen

The Shared Table – Eucharistic Ministers divide the bread, place the wine on the stands.

Instrumental music

Rev. Jane This is the living God. This is the One who transforms us and our world. Blessed are we who are called to this Meal.

All: Jesus, I am ready to receive you, and by your invitation I am here.

Invitation To Communion

As we share in this living sacrament, let us proclaim together:

All: In this we are a Eucharistic people, the body of Christ incarnate, the blood of Christ poured out for the life of the world.

This sacred meal is offered for all of us to share, without exception. All are called to the experience of Truth, Beauty, and Goodness.

Communion In The Breaking of the Bread (R; V1; R; V2; R; V3; R; V4; R)

Prayer after Communion -- If you are able, please stand.

Rev Jane:
Let us pray. . .Loving and generous God, we thank you for gathering us as the Mystical Body of Christ. May this sacred food be a testimony to our commitment to continue our efforts to heal our planet, to overcome fear with peace, injury with pardon, and hatred with nonviolent love. We ask this through Jesus our Christ. **All: Amen**

Concluding Rite and Dismissal

The Peace of God is within you. **All: And also within you.**

May we be blessed with the true meaning of the resurrected Presence within us, with the light of Easter, and with sight to see your Wonderous Beauty, Truth and Goodness.

All this and more in the name of the Sacred Un-nameable, the Eternal Christ, and the Wisdom Spirit, Sophia. **All: ALLELUIA**

Let us go with healing grace among our neighbors.

All: Thanks be to God. ALLELUIA!!!

Closing Hallelujah Is Our Song (V1; V2; R; V3; R)