

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CINCINNATI OHIO



Doubting Thomas, Nicolas Piliero

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021
11:00 A.M.**

Welcome to worship this morning. Please always wear your mask during the service. In addition, please keep a physical distance of 6ft from people you do not live with. We cannot and do not guarantee the absence of risk from your presence with us.

NOTE: *Since congregational singing remains prohibited during the current level of COVID, please join our cantors this morning in spirit as they sing on our behalf. Hearing aids are available from an usher.*

Today's Question:

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

*The people's responses are in **bold**.*

Please stand as the ministers enter.

VOLUNTARY (instrumental) He is Risen

Composed by Danny Mylott

*The voluntary is a time for quiet meditation and spiritual preparation for the liturgy.
As chimes are sounded, please bring conversations to a close.*

THE WORD OF GOD

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **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.**

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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 people sit.

READING 1 John 1:1-2:2

Read by Carol Bussey

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Congregation, remaining seated, sings the Antiphon before the psalm, and when indicated.

PSALM 133 All say together

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.

Please stand if you are able.

Hymn Sing a New Church

Written by Delores Dufner

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn Sing a New Church
Please be seated.

Written by Delores Dufner

THE SERMON
A time of silence follows the Sermon.

The Reverend Allison English

Please stand as you are able.

THE NICENE CREED (*said by 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: 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

Presider

Gathered as believers in Christ, made one body through baptism, let us offer prayers to God for the living hope of all the world.

For peace from on high and for our salvation.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For Edward, Jay, and Scarlett, who will be illumined by the light of Christ at their forthcoming baptisms.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For Ken our bishop and the presbyters, the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the world and its leaders, our nation, and its people.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For all those in need, especially those on our parish prayer list: Brenda and her children, Kim, Patrick, and John, Karl Howat, Gloria Marshall, Reed Coen, Roger Percer, Judy, Anne, Jay, Paula Winans, Tianna Hill the suffering and the oppressed, travelers and prisoners, for Fr. Charles Sacquety and all of the faithful departed.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

We give thanks today for the nuptial vows of Kyle and Terra Montrose, and for the birth of Edward Patrick Paul Galey.

For ourselves, our families, and those we love.

Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Remembering all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord.

Presider

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who gives us eternal peace through Jesus Christ. Hear our prayers which we offer in the hope of glory, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebrant makes announcements regarding the mission and common life of the parish congregation.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory: The People bring up the bread and wine, and the Lord's Table is set.

ANTHEM *All Who Hunger Gather Gladly*

Words: Sylvia Dunstan
Music: *Holy Manna*, from Southern Harmony, 1835

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 3

PRESIDER THE LORD BE WITH YOU.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Presider and People

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and forever. AMEN.

The Celebrant invites the people to communion, saying

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Receiving of the Sacrament

We welcome you to the Lord's Table to receive Holy Communion at the altar of the Lord. Please stay seated and the Priest will bring communion (bread only) to you. Gluten free wafers available upon request.

Place your hands together to receive the bread. Gluten free wafers available upon request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you.

Communion Music

Roll Away the Stone

Composed by Danny Mylott

Postcommunion Prayer *said by 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.

Blessing

The Dismissal to which the People respond *Thanks be to God.*

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**Today's altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in
Thanksgiving for the Calvary Clergy and Staff.**
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Worship Leaders:
Celebrant: The Reverend Allison English
Musician: Danny Mylott
Reader: Carol Bussey

Please consider donating Sunday Flowers in honor of or thanksgiving of someone special. Flower are from Adrian Durbin and cost is \$60.00 and is paid directly to Durbin. Contact judy@calvaryclifton.org or 513-861-4437.

Coming Soon:

Boy Scout Plant Sale May 7-9th

Flowers, Hanging baskets and Mulch! Available outside in front of the church

Save the Dates for Outdoor Garden Workdays May 15 and 16th

There will be a map of garden areas and beds to select posted in Hannaford Hall starting May 8th. Have your family choose a plot and instructions. Mulch will be available in the driveway. We will have some plants available behind the Clifton House fence. Come have fun and make the grounds beautiful. COVID cautions as always.

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