



The Incredulity of Saint Thomas by Michelangelo Merisi Caravaggio, circa 1602. Oil on canvas.
Sanssouci Picture Gallery, Potsdam, Germany.

Second Sunday after Easter

April 19, 2020

10:00 a.m.

St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian, *Rector*

The Reverend Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*

The Reverend Dr. John Price, *Priest Associate*

Dr. HyeSung Hwang, *Director of Music Ministries*

Our mission is to gather as a welcoming community of Christ called to love and serve God, our neighbors and each other in joyful presence in the world.

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Fellowship and Faith

The Next Big Thing for the Great 50 Days of Easter

Join the clergy and your St. Martin's parish family for several new, exciting and fun ways to stay connected while building both our community and your faith online during the Great 50 Days of Easter.

The week after Easter we will begin the following fellowship and discipleship-building virtual events using Zoom.

IMPORTANT ZOOM INFORMATION:

- 1) For security reasons you **MUST RSVP to these events BEFORE THE DAY OF** to receive your Zoom login and password. **Don't delay, RSVP TODAY.** Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom
- 2) Learn how to use Zoom and best practices for joining a Zoom event. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom

**To RSVP to these events please visit
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The Acts of the Holy Spirit

Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. join Rev. Matthew for a new Bible Study as we read the Book of Acts together, four chapters a week. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to sign up and get your Zoom invite to the Bible Study.

Zoom Hymn Sing

Dr. HyeSung Hwang will lead us in a festive and joyful hymn sing as we celebrate the Great 50 Days of Easter. We will raise our voices in song on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to RSVP and receive your invite to sing along with us on Zoom.

The Bible Workbench

Sundays at 9:00 a.m. join Rev. John as we come together for community as we read and discuss the Holy Scriptures assigned for our Sunday morning worship. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to get your Zoom invite to The Bible Workbench.

Zoom Coffee Hour

Every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m. join your St. Martin's parish family for a time to check in, after we worship together. This informal gathering will last approximately 30 minutes and be hosted by the clergy. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to RSVP for this series.



Parent's Coffee Chat

Parenting during this time of COVID-19 compassionate distancing can be challenging and rewarding. On Sundays at 7:00 p.m. join Rev. Nathan and members of the Children's Ministry team for a time of

fellowship and fun. Visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to sign up.

Rite-13 and J2A Game Nights

Miss your friends from Rite-13 and J2A? We'll be holding some Zoom game nights during the Great Fifty Days of Easter. All Rite-13 and J2A families will receive zoom invites, so you can join in the fun, visit stmartinsinthefield.org/Parish-Life/Zoom to sign up.

YAC/Confirmation: Edition

We'll get started up with some online confirmation sessions after Easter. Youth and parents will receive a Zoom invitation and password for their first meeting.

Sunday School At Home

At-home Sunday School materials will be included in regular children's ministry e-mails. The Children's Ministry team is exploring ways to engage children on Zoom. Keep an eye out for announcements about Sunday School Zoom events during the Great Fifty Days of Easter.

Welcome to St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), The Hymnal 1982 (H), and Lift Every Voice and Sing II. All are invited to participate fully in our worship of God this morning.

PRELUDE MUSIC: *Aubade*

Brenda Portman

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: *Awake, arise, lift up your voice*

H 212, v. 1, 2, 5

1 A - wake, a - rise, lift up your voice, let
2 Oh, with what glad - ness and sur - prise the
3 those hands of lib - eral love in - deed in
4 His en - e - mies had sealed the stone as
5 O Dead a - rise! O Friend - less stand by

1 Eas - ter mu - sic swell; re - joice in Christ, a -
2 saints their Sa - vior greet; nor will they trust their
3 in - fi - nite de - gree, those feet still free to
4 Pi - late gave them leave, lest dead and friend - less
5 ser - a - phim a - dored! O Sol - i - tude a -

1 gain re - joice and on his prais - es dwell.
2 ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
3 move and bleed for mil - lions and for me.
4 and a - lone he should their skill de - ceive.
5 gain com - mand your host from heaven re - stored!

Our Hymns today feature majestic words and music that focus on the word "Alleluia" which has not been said since Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 Collect of the Day "collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 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.**

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

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."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 16

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.**

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF 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.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no
 2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as
 fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound, to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.
 we re - jice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

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.***

The Nicene Creed is the most ancient and important corporate confession of our faith. We are joining ourselves to the great heritage of the holy (of God) catholic (universal) and apostolic (witnessing to the resurrection) church down through the centuries.

The Prayers of the People remind us that in our worship we are connected to a larger fellowship - the Church - the Body of Christ, on whose heart lies the cares and concerns of the world.

NICENE CREED

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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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM III

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

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

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Eugene, our Bishop; Robert, our Assisting Bishop; for Matthew, Nathan, and John our clergy; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons; **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

For Donald, our President; the Congress and Supreme Court of the United States; for Larry, our governor; and Steuart, our county executive; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

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

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble - this week we pray for Jospeh, JD, Ward, Carol, Kevin, Rob, Kellie, Carter, Jenny, Neal, Nadine, Lynn, Christopher, Mark, Jocelyn, Andrew, Bill, John, Cole, Elizabeth, Katherine, and Annie. **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to Jennifer Ewing, Winkie Fierro, Bill Barcome, and all the departed eternal rest, ; **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

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

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Pray for all those whose lives have been affected by the COVID-19 virus and all health care providers, as they tend to those who have been infected; for those who are recovering from addiction and do not have access to recovery meetings. Pray for those affected by natural disasters, who live in fear, or whose lives have been affected by gun violence and acts of terror, both domestically and abroad; for those serving in our Armed Forces; and for all of our children and grandchildren.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In celebration of the Easter Season, please give generously to the mission and ministry of St. Martin's as we continue to serve our neighborhood, community and the world in the name of the risen Christ.

Please click the link in the livestream video to give, or visit stmartinsinthefield.com/giving.

LORD'S PRAYER

EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.*

H 182, v. 1, 2, 5

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

The Easter Blessing is an ancient three-fold blessing that highlights our redemption by the death and resurrection of Jesus and God's love for us as God's children—all of which are the hallmarks of our Christian faith and this holiest of days.

The Dismissal asserts the relationship between worship and living. It is a call to mission, a call to live the baptismal and Eucharistic life in the world. During the Great 50 Days of Easter ONLY we insert the festive Alleluias into both the Opening Sentence and Dismissal, setting apart these days after Easter as holy.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

POSTLUDE: *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

Mary McDonald

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We need you to keep informed about all of the wonderful ways we are an active and joyful congregation serving Christ in the world.

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