



CHURCH *of the* GOOD SHEPHERD

Changing Lives, Sharing Christ

Holy Eucharist Rite Two/Holy Baptism

7 April, 2024

The Second Sunday of Easter

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

The Word of God

Hymn in Procession #192

This Joyful Eastertide

Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Celebrant then continues

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
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People: There is one hope in God's call to
us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
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People: One God and Father of all.

Celebrant The Lord be with
:

People: And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.
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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 Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 133

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.

The Epistle

1 John 1:1-2:2

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Sequence Hymn #209 (vv. 1,2)

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

The Holy Gospel

John 20:19-31

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

People: 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

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn #209 (vv. 3,4)

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Sermon

The Rev. William T. Campbell

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates BCP 301

Questions to Parents and Godparents

Presentation of **Audrey Daniella Martin** and **Andrea Denise Martin**
for the Sacrament of Baptism

Question to the Congregation

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP 304

Prayers for the Candidates

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptism

BCP 307

The Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

Prayer of Birthday and Anniversary

O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Holy Communion

Anthem

Hymn at the Presentation of Gifts

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below, Alleluia, alleluia. Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

Sanctus #S-125

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Richard Proulx

Prayer of Consecration

BCP 368

Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion at this Altar.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP 365

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 in Procession #205

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

The Dismissal

Postlude

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The flowers at the High Altar are given to
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