



**Digital Bulletin**  
April 11, 2021 9:00 AM  
Second Sunday of Easter

**Prelude** "My Lord, What a Morning" arr. Robert Lau

**Welcome & Introduction**

Moment of Silence

**Opening Hymn** "The Easter day with joy was bright" Hymn 193 st. 1-3

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| <p>1. That Easter day with joy was bright,<br/>the sun shone out with fairer light,<br/>when, to their longing eyes restored,<br/>the apostles saw their risen Lord.</p> <p>2. His risen flesh with radiance glowed;<br/>his wounded hands and feet he showed;<br/>those scars their solemn witness gave<br/>that Christ was risen from the grave.</p> | <p>3. O Jesus, King of gentleness,<br/>do thou thyself our hearts possess<br/>that we may give thee all our days<br/>the willing tribute of our praise.</p> |
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Book of Common Prayer Pg. 355

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
**People** **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**  
*Officiant* 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.  
**People** **Amen.**

**Gloria** Book of Common Prayer Pg. 356

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.

### Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* 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 (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

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 787

#### *Ecce, quam bonum!*

- 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.

*People* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

### A Reading from the First Letter of 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.**

### **The Gospel**

*Celebrant*        The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John. **John (20:19-31)**  
*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.

*Celebrant*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**            The Reverend Matt Holcombe

**Meditation**      "Christ Be All Around Me"  
                          Sung by Amalia Dobbins

By Leslie Jordan, David Leonard,  
Leeland Dayton Mooring and Jack Mooring

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 Form VI

*Deacon* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.  
*Silence*

*Deacon* For all people in their daily life and work;  
***People* For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**  
*Deacon* For this community, the nation, and the world;  
***People* For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**  
*Deacon* For the just and proper use of your creation;  
***People* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**  
*Deacon* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
***People* For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**  
*Deacon* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
***People* For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Deacon* For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Kym, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
**People** **For all who serve God in his Church.**  
*Deacon* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Silence*

*Deacon* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially the prayers in our parish community. We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit: Ji-bril, Laura, Miles, Ashleigh, Cheryl, Sue H., Reuben, Gael, Cindy, John, Aaron, Linda, James, Steve, Nancy, Tom J., Naomi, Rose, Sophia, Mary Lou, Katie, Amy, Brenda, Logan, Judy, Edwina, and Roger. We pray for the deployed and those serving in the military: Garrett, Danielle, and Zachariah. We pray for those who have died, especially Geoffrey Nicholls, father of Victoria Fleischmann. And we pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Joshua, Christian, Deborah, Kyle, Martha, Bob, Nancy, Drew, Teri, Molly, and Mary Dee. We also give thanks for the anniversaries this week: Rhona Fletcher, and John & Pam Priest.

### **The Confession**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 360

**People** **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*(You are encouraged to use your cell phone to exchange the peace via text message)*

### **Announcements**

The new Warwick Chalice is given in celebration and memory of Dr. Bill Deverell, given by Marne, Deb, Bill Jr., Jenny, Helen, and John.

### **Digital Offering**

*(To make a one-time contribution to St. Michael's or to pay your pledge online;)*

1. Using your text message on your smart phone, text the word GIVE to 719-223-3446.
2. Then click on the secure link sent to you via text message to make a contribution.

### **The Doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"**

Hymn 380, st. 3

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

*Celebrant* All things come of thee O Lord.  
**People** **And of thine own have we given thee.**

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

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

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People** **Christ has died.  
 Christ has risen.  
 Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### The Lord's Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 364

**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.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 364

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

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

**People** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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

### Post Spiritual Communion Prayer

**Lord of the Feast,  
thank you for feeding us with the  
spiritual Body and Blood of Christ.  
May we be reminded of the many times  
we have been fed at your table,  
always being drawn closer to you  
in the breaking of the bread.  
We acknowledge your presence among us,  
just as you were present with your disciples.  
May your Holy Spirit continue to strengthen us  
to live, learn, and love beyond our walls.  
For the sake of your love in our lives,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Final Blessing

#### Closing Hymn

"I want to walk as a child of the light"

Hymn 490

1. I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus.

*Refrain:*

In him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike,  
The lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

2. I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father.

*Refrain*

3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus.

*Refrain*

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Postlude** “Fantasia in G”

J.S. Bach

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