

The Second Sunday of Easter  
Liturgy of the Word

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**ONLINE WORSHIP BULLETIN**

*Christ is Risen!*

*Alleluia!*

## Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

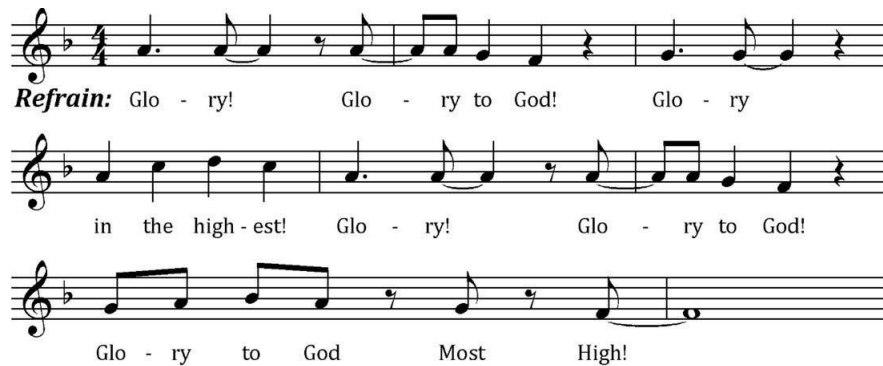
## Collect for Purity

Let us pray.

**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.**

## Song of Praise

Jesse Manibusan



**Refrain:** Glo - ry!      Glo - ry to God!      Glo - ry  
in the high - est!      Glo - ry!      Glo - ry to God!  
Glo - ry to God      Most High!

*Choir:*

O God, Holy One, almighty God and Father, we worship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory! **Refrain:**

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Holy One, Redeemer,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. **Refrain:**

You alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High God, with the Spirit in the glory to God! **Refrain:**

## The Collect of the Day

May God 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.**

## WORD

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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.

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

### Psalm 133

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
**when brethren live together in unity!**  
It is like fine oil upon the head \*  
**that runs down upon the beard,**  
Upon the beard of Aaron, \*  
**and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**  
It is like the dew of Hermon \*  
**that falls upon the hills of Zion.**  
For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: \*  
**life for evermore.**

### A Reading from the First Letter of John

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.

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

**Gospel Alleluia:** *Celtic Hallelujah*

John Reager



**The Holy Gospel**

John 20:19-31

The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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 Christ.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

### **The Nicene Creed**

**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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**  
**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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your church, O God, that we might serve you with courage and grace. Awake, O Church, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to your world, O God, that all might know the goodness of your love. Awake, O World, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our nation, O God, that each person might share and honor the other. Awake, O People, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change for the suffering, O God, that they might know your saving help. Awake, O Sorrowful, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to even the departed, O God, that they might forever grow in your likeness. Awake, O Saints, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

Bring newness and change to our hearts, O God, that we might grow larger in faith and hope. Awake, O Soul, rise from death,  
**And Christ will give you life!**

**Awake, O Sleeper, rise from death, for Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Rise and live, says the Lord. This day God has made for life and all joy! Amen, alleluia!**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your Name,**

**your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## **The Peace**

May the peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

## **Welcome & Announcements**

## **SENDING**

### **The Blessing**

May the God who formed all things in Love, draw you near to God's own heart, empower you by the power of the Spirit to live the Way of Love with fellow travelers, and send you to participate in the resurrection and healing of God's world.

And may the blessing of our Lord - loving, liberating, and live-giving - be with you and remain with you forever. Amen.

**Processional:** *This joyful Eastertide (v. 1-2)*

Vruechten

*Unison or harmony*

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the  
3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son

sor - row! My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath  
riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my  
slum - ber, till trump from east to west shall

*Refrain*

sprung to life this mor - row.  
pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was  
wake the dead in num - ber.

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son, our faith had been in



vain; but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en.

### **The Dismissal**

Let us go forth in the name of christ, alleluia, alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**