Saint John’s Episcopal Church
Tulsa, Oklahoma

The Second Sunday of Easter
19 April 2020

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
10 a.m.
The Word of God

Processional Hymn 193

1 That Easter day with joy was bright, the
2 His risen flesh with radiance glowed; his
3 O Jesus, King of gentleness, do
4 O Lord of all, with us abide in
5 All praise, O risen Lord, we give to

1 sun shone out with fairer light, when, to their longing
2 wounded hands and feet he showed; those scars their solemn
3 thou thyself our hearts possess that we may give thee
4 this our joyous Easter tide; from every weapon
5 thee, who, dead, again dost live; to God the Father


Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant 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.
1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

3. 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.

4. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

5. 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.
The 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.

The First Reading  Acts 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.”

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.
Gradual Psalm

The Refrain is sung by the Cantor, then all repeat.

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.” All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.  

All repeat the Refrain.

But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the name of their gods upon my lips.  

All repeat the Refrain.

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.  

All repeat the Refrain.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.  

All repeat the Refrain.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit. 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.  

All repeat the Refrain.

The Second Reading

1 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.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.
Sequence Hymn 209

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 unbelief; and
4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gracious words we hear from him who spoke as
follow where he trod; but in his promise
may our faith abound, to call on you when
realms of clearer light we may behold you

none e'er spoke; but we believe him near.
we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, and seek where you are found:
as you are, with full and endless sight.

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John 20:19-31

Celebrant
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.

Celebrant
The Gospel of the Lord.

People
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily
The Rev. Susanne Methven

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: 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 Exchange of Peace  
Please stand.

Celebrant  The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People  And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Blessing of the Prayer Quilts

Minister
Gracious God, we offer these quilts as gifts of love and prayers confident in your power to comfort, strengthen, and heal.

People
May those receiving quilts be embraced by your loving care, wrapped in comfort and peace, and covered in prayers of hope and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
The Holy Communion

Presentation Hymn 212

1 Awake, arise, lift up your voice, let
2 Oh, with what gladness and surprise the
3 Those hands of liberal love indeed in
4 His enemies had sealed the stone as
5 O Dead arise! O Friend less stand by

1 Easter music swell; rejoice in Christ, a-
2 Saints their Savior greet; nor will they trust their
3 Infinite degree, those feet still free to
4 Pilate gave them leave, lest dead and friend less
5 Saphim adored! O Solitude a-

1 Gain rejoice and on his praises dwell.
2 Ears and eyes but by his hands and feet,
3 Move and bleed for millions and for me.
4 And alone he should their skill deceive.
5 Gain command your host from heaven restored!

Words: Christopher Smart (1722-1771), alt. Music: Richmond, melody Thomas Hayes (1734-1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816)
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D  Please remain standing.

The Celebrant continues
It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus et benedictus, Hymnal S129  

Robert J. Powell
The Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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.”

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ’s death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember Edward, our Bishop, Paulson, our Bishop Elect, and all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember all those who are sick.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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

**People and Celebrant**
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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*
Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

A Prayer for those making Spiritual Communion
O most loving Jesus, O most blessed Savior, I ask you to come to me and unite me to you. Though I cannot now receive you sacramentally, yet I believe that you are able, even when received by faith and desire only, to heal, enrich and sanctify me. Come spiritually into my heart. I desire to unite myself with you, with all the affections of my soul. Possess me wholly; let the consuming fire of your love absorb me, and your presence abide so intimately in me, that it is no longer I that live, but you that live in me. Amen.

_Saint Augustine’s Prayer Book, page 79 adapted to contemporary language_

After Communion, the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People
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

Dismissal

*The Celebrant dismisses the people, who respond*

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Recessional Hymn 194

1 Jesus lives! thy terrors now can no longer, death, appears to pall us; Jesus lives! by this we know thou, O living, pure in heart may we abide, glory to our Savior giving, Alleluia!

2 Jesus lives! for us he died; then, alone to Jesus sever; life, nor death, nor powers of hell tear us from his keeping ever, Alleluia!

3 Jesus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his love shall given: may we go where he has gone, rest and reign with him in heaven, Alleluia!

4 Jesus lives! to him the throne over all the world is given, Christ the King, Alleluia!


Postlude

Basse et dessus de trompette

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)
Join us for Evensong streamed today
5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong, Rite I

Music at Midday Livestreams
Wednesdays at 12 noon

April 22
Music for Eastertide
Adam Pajan, organ

April 29
César Franck’s Grand Pièce Symphonique
Adam Pajan, organ
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Livestream Service Schedule
(in effect until further notice)

Sundays
10 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II
5:30 p.m. Evensong, Rite I

Weekdays
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite II

Monday-Saturday
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer, Rite I

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