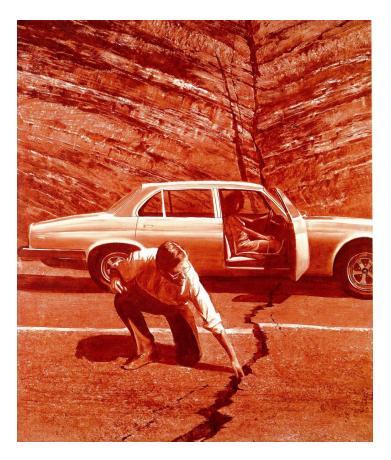
Holy Eucharist The Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023–10:00 a.m.



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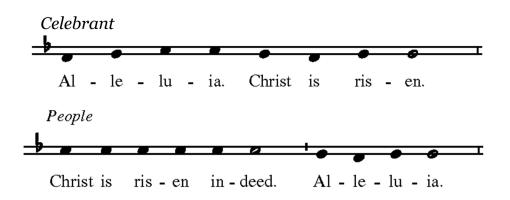
The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Pastoral Symphony (from Messiah) G. F. Handel

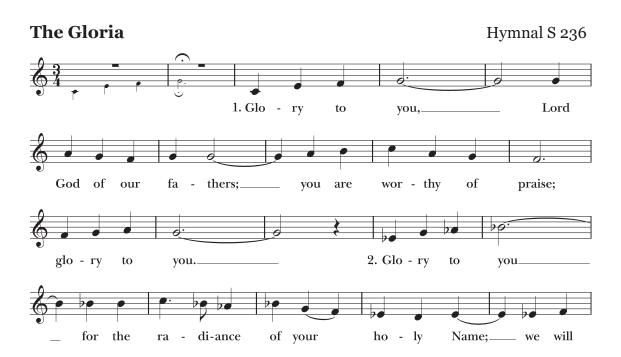


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The Collect for Purity

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**.







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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 Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

- 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.

The Second Lesson

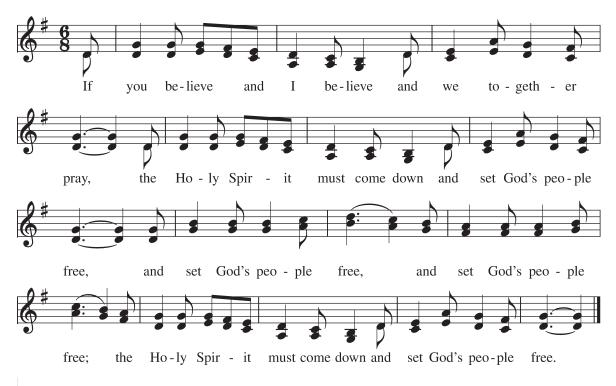
1 Peter 1:3–9

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 806

"If you believe and I believe "

Sung twice.



Words and Music: Traditional Zimbabwe; adap. from English source as taught by Tarasai, ed. and arr. by John Bell.

The Holy Gospel

Clergy	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
People	according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ.
	John 20:19–31
Clergy People	The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.
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The Sermon

The Very Rev. William S. Stafford

The Nicene Creed

Said by all

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.

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Lucinda, our Bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers; **For all who serve God in God's Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, hear us, Lord; **For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, and we will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

Silence. The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant concludes with a suitable Collect.

The Peace

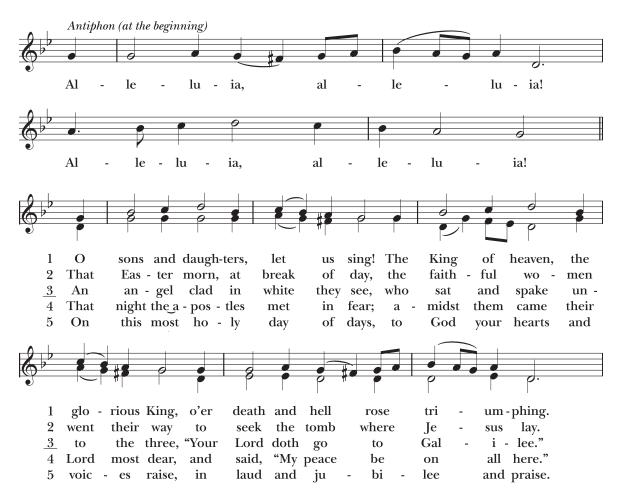
CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

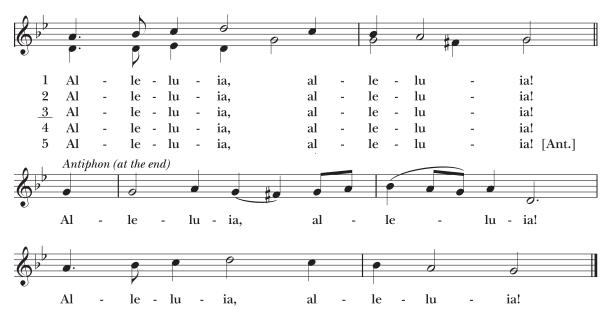
Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn 203

"O sons and daughters, let us sing"





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Prayers Over the Gifts

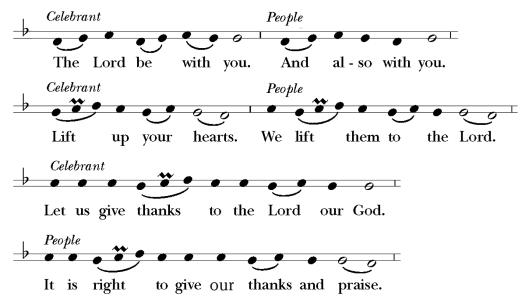
Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, **and of your own have we given you. Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation; through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the Cup of Salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, friends, that this our sacrifice may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty. **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of God's Name, both to our benefit and that of all God's Holy Church. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:



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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

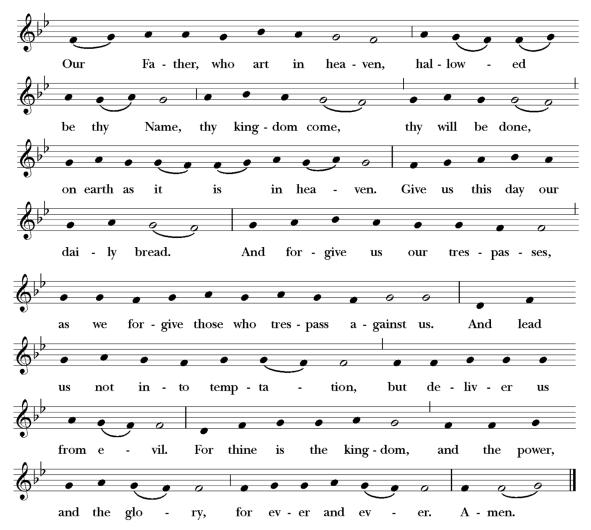
Therefore, according to his command, O Father, We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Thomas, blessed Luke, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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**.

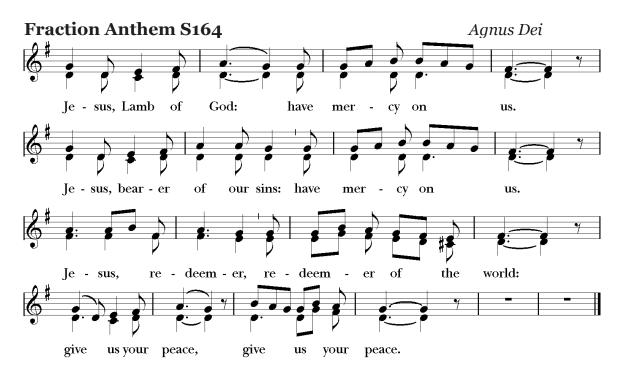
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,



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The Breaking of the Bread

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



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Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Anthem

"I Know that my redeemer liveth"

I know that my redeemer liveth And that he shall stand At the latter day, upon the earth

I know that my redeemer liveth And that he shall stand At the latter day, upon the earth

Upon the earth I know that my redeemer liveth And he shall stand Stand at the latter day, upon the earth Upon the earth

And though worms destroy this body Yet in my flesh shall I see God Yet in my flesh shall I see God

I know that my redeemer liveth And though worms destroy this body Yet in my flesh shall I see God Yet in my flesh shall I see God Shall I see God

I know that my redeemer liveth For now is Christ risen from the dead The first fruits of them that sleep Of them that sleep

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Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Said by all

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 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**.

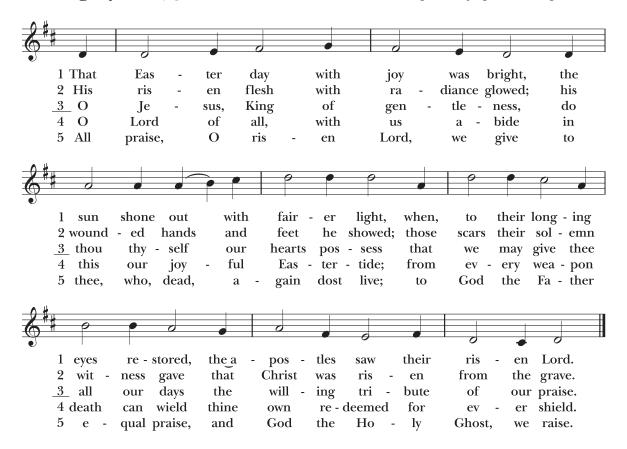
May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen**.

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 193

"That Easter day with joy was bright"



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Dismissal

The clergy dismisses the People and they respond **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

Christ Triumphant

John Marsh



FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

Flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God by Jim & Carol Graham in thanksgiving for April birthdays in their family: Carol's mom, Johanne, on 10 April; her sister, Linda, 29 April; Elizabeth, 13 April; and Carol, 28 April.



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