

# **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

April 16, 2023 10:00 am

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We are blessed that you have joined us today.

# Notes on worship:

**BOLD** type = people of God =You

Regular type = leader

Italic type = directions or explanations

# **Introduction to the Day**



In today's gospel the risen Christ appears to the disciples and offers them the gift of peace. Even amid doubts and questions, we experience the

resurrection in our Sunday gathering around word and meal, and in our everyday lives. Throughout the coming Sundays of Easter the first two readings will be from the Acts of the Apostles and the first letter of Peter. Even as the early Christians proclaimed the resurrection, we rejoice in the new birth and living hope we receive in baptism.

#### **WELCOME**

We are delighted that you are here with us in person and online! If you have a church home at present but are prevented from joining with them because of the Coronavirus, we say Welcome to you for the present. If you do not have a church home, please consider HolyTrinity to be yours! If Pastor Analyse or

the Prayer Team can provide any care for you at presence please reach out in person or at <u>pastoranalyse@holytrinitybellerose.org</u> or the church office at <u>office@holytrinitybellerose.org</u>.

~Please stand as you are able~

# **Thanksgiving for Baptism**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Holy God,

holy and merciful,

holy and mighty,

you are the river of life,

you are the everlasting wellspring.

In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead.

In baptismal waters our old life is washed away,

and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes,

for rivers and streams.

Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures.

Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism,

the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation. Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you.

Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water.

Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment.

Where despair prevails, grant hope.

Where chaos reigns, bring peace.

We ask this through Christ,

who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

Amen.

# **GATHERING HYMN** ELW 376 vs 1,2&3

Thine Is The Glory

1 Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won! Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

#### Refrain

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!

- 2 Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb!
  Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting! Refrain
- 3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Refrain

#### **GREETING**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

**HYMN OF PRAISE** W&P 141

# This is the Day

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this the day that the Lord has made.

Repeat

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

~Please be seated~

#### FIRST READING Acts 2:14a, 22-32

After the Holy Spirit comes to the apostles on Pentecost, Peter preaches the gospel to the gathered crowd. He tells them that Jesus, who obediently went to his death according to God's plan, was raised from the dead by God. Finally, he appeals to scripture, quoting Psalm 16:8-11, to show that Jesus is the Messiah: though crucified, the risen Jesus is now enthroned.

The first reading is from Acts beginning at the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter.

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>22</sup>"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—<sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>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;

<sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

<sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption.

<sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

<sup>29</sup>"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. <sup>30</sup>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. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 16 NRSV

We will now read responsively Psalm 16.

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

<sup>2</sup>All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>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 forevermore.

#### SECOND READING 1 Peter 1:3-9 NRSV

This epistle was written to encourage Christians experiencing hardships and suffering because of their faith in Christ. The letter opens by blessing God for the living hope we have through Christ's resurrection even amid difficult circumstances and surroundings.

The second reading is from first Peter beginning at the first chapter.

<sup>3</sup>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, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, 7so 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. 8Although 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, 9 for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

~Please stand as you are able~

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL John 20:19-31 NRSV

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. But one of their number is missing, and his unbelief prompts another visit from the Lord.

The Holy Gospel according to John beginning at the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>19</sup>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." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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."

<sup>26</sup>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." <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>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."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>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 the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

~Please be seated~

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### **SERMON**

~Please stand as you are able~

# **HYMN OF THE DAY** ELW 379 VS 1,3,4 Now The Green Blade Rises

- 1 Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; love lives again, that with the dead has been; love is come again like wheat arising green.
- 3 Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, he that for three days in the grave had lain; raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen; love is come again like wheat arising green.
- 4 When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, your touch can call us back to life again, fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been; love is come again like wheat arising green.

#### NICENE CREED

Let us confess our faith saying the words of 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 and the Son,\* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has

We believe in one holy catholic and

spoken through the prophets.

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.

~Please remain standing as you desire, otherwise please be seated~

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

#### A brief silence.

God of rebirth, the good news of your resurrection brings refreshment to a weary world. Following the women at the tomb. empower us to boldly share your radical love through our words and our work. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

As you breathed your Spirit into the disciples, breathe your spirit of healing upon all creation. Nourish the earth with sufficient rains. Strengthen us to counter the effects of pollution and destruction. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

You prepared the disciples for their ministry by calming their fears and granting them your peace. Equip our communities' leaders. Give them a spirit of peace and hearts that burn for justice, that their leadership reflects your love. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

You come among us in unexpected ways. Send us to those who hide in fear or question your love. Be a healing presence for any isolated by addiction, incarceration, mental illness, chronic pain, sickness, or grief especially Laura Occhiogrosso, Bob Sarro, Brian Sherwood, Heather Chittum, Heidi Neumark, Lynn Zernickow, Klohe Goetz, Francesca Giordano, Mary Ann Gallagher, Michael Cienki, Jackie Budds, Dennis Aragona, Diane Gilroy, Peggy McLaughlin, Valerie Jones-Washington, the family of Tom Sanfedele, a. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

As you met the disciples on the road to Emmaus, show us your presence along our journeys. Bless our doubts and questions. Provide trusting and safe relationships for all ages, to nurture our connection to you and one another. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

## Your mercy is great.

You instruct us to care for ourselves and one another. Be with all who are struggling with extended periods of illnesses. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

#### Your mercy is great.

You call us your Beloved Community. End racism and oppression in our world. Deliver all who are unjustly imprisoned or persecuted. Reconcile nations and peoples in conflict. Help us pray for our enemies. Receive Our Prayer, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

Resurrecting God, you bring us to new life every day. Thank you for blessing us with companions on our faith journey, especially those who now rest in your love. Strengthen us with the eternal peace of your promises Receive Our Prayer, O God.

# Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

# SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always! And also with you!

Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

~Please be seated~

#### **OFFERING**

#### **MUSICAL OFFERING**

~Please stand as you are able~

OFFERTORY HYMN ELW 531 vs 1&3 The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing

The Trumpets Sound, The Angels Sing The Feast Is Ready To Begin

# The Gates Of Heaven Are Open Wide And Jesus Welcomes You Inside

Refrain
Sing With Thankfulness
Songs Of Pure Delight
Come And Revel In Heaven's Love And
Light

Take Your Place At The Table Of The King The Feast Is Ready To Begin The Feast Is Ready To Begin

The hungry heart He satisfies
Offers the poor His paradise
Now hear all heav'n and earth applaud
The amazing goodness of the Lord
Refrain

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.
Generous God,
in this meal you offer your very self.
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread
reveal to us the Risen One.
In the pouring of this wine
pour us out in service to the world;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the

resurrection, with the earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sung)
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and
might; Heav'n and earth are full of your
glory. Hosanna, hosanna in the
highest. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his birth and life among us, his death and resurrection, we await his coming again when all things will be restored in him.

By your Spirit bless us and this bread and cup, that, held and nourished by you, we may live as your children, shining with the light of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen** 

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

~Please be seated~

#### COMMUNION

All are welcome to the Lord's Table. When you come to the front please wear your mask while receiving the elements. We ask that you wait until you are back at your seat to partake. Please tell the ushers if you need the bread and wine brought to you. If you are not yet receiving communion, or do not wish to receive today, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Follow the usher's directions.

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

~Please stand as you are able~

#### **TABLE BLESSING & COMMUNION PRAYER**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

#### Amen

Let us pray. Gracious God,

in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

~Please be seated.~

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

~Please stand as you are able.~

#### **BLESSING**

The God of all,

who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

Amen.

**SENDING HYMN** ELW 535 vs 1&2

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises Refrain

Hallelujah! We sing your praises, all our hearts are filled with gladness.

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1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread,

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger.

Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread.

I am wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hunger. Refrain

2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel.

Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt.

strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joyful gospel. *Refrain* 

#### DISMISSAL

What is our Mission? Welcoming all to grow in faith; living Christ's message of serving and loving neighbors near and far.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. Serve the Risen One. Thanks be to God.

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We are blessed by your presence.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMING EVENTS

IN PERSON SERVICES every Sunday Live and via Facebook Live @ 10:00 am. You don't have to belong to Facebook to watch. Video will also be available on our interactive bulletin at: holytrinitybellerose.wordpress.com.

# **BIBLE STUDY**

Our Bible Study on the Gospel of John continues on Mondays at 10am and 7pm. New Bible Study, Women In The Bible, will begin on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 am and 7 pm. See signup sheet in the narthex

# **COUNCIL MEETING**

Next meeting, Tuesday, May 9 @ 7:30 pm.

#### **WORSHIP & MUSIC**

Next meeting TBA

# **MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST**

Meeting at the Omega Diner, Lakeville Road, 9 am, Saturday April 22. Signup sheet in the narthex.

# <u>CPR /AED CERTIFICATION & NARCAN</u> TRAINING

April 25, 6:30-9:45 pm. Cost \$90. Signup sheet in the narthex

# **YOUTH GROUP**

The youth meet twice a month on the first and third Saturday's from beginning at 6:30 pm. Contact Diane Gilroy for more information.

# **ALTAR GUILD**

Looking for volunteers to help Denice & Pastor Analyse with Altar Guild responsibilities.

## **VIDEOGRAPHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Learn a new skill. The camera is really user friendly. See Pastor for additional information.

# YOGA PRACTICE

Yoga, Thursdays, at 7 pm in the Friendship Hall. One hour for only \$10.

Contact Carol Robinson, 917-208-7340, for additional information.

# **BIRTHDAY CAKE SIGNUP SHEET FOR 2023**

Please see signup sheet in the narthex. Only December remains to be claimed.

# **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Tyler Hanratty
- 6 Courtney Ng
- 6 Ken Henyan
- 7 Tiffany Hanratty
- 10 Kyle Hanratty
- 11 Joe Innella
- 14 Ruth Campbell
- 14 Kelvin & Yvonne Persad
- 20 Yvonne Peroo
- 21 Isabella Marbeli
- 22 Doris Breitenbach
- 27 John Angrisano
- 30 Janice Rajgopaul

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