

26 Washington Street

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER19 April 20207:30 am - Morning Prayer7:30 am - Morning Prayer8:00 am - Holy Eucharist10:00 am - Solemn Eucharist

Please switch off all cellular telephones and other electronic devices before the Liturgy begins. Also, kindly refrain from audible conversation to respect those wishing to pray and listen to the organ prelude. Thank you.

ORGAN - Abide With Us, Lord Jesus

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE ENTRANCE RITE

HYMN 206 – O Filii et Filiae

EASTER ACCLAMATION:

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ is risen.PeopleThe Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Hymnal 713)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery hast 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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." (2:14a,22-32)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL - Conserva me, Domine

- 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 - A Reading from the First Letter of Peter

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. (1:3-9)

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

HYMN 193 – Puer Nobis

The people stand and turn to face the Book of Gospels

THE HOLY GOSPEL of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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. (20:19-31)

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Wonderful in our eyes is the resurrection of Jesus, the Son of God and minister of divine mercy. Let us pray to share even now in the eternal inheritance we have in him.

Deacon That those who preach the risen Christ in word and deed, especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Francis, the Bishop of Rome; Bartholomew, the Ecumenical Patriarch; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; William, our Diocesan; Daniel, our Bishop retired, and Marshall and Paul, our Priests, receive strength in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That those reborn at Easter, receive joy in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That all nations receive salvation in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That all who are hard-pressed by sickness and injury, especially those affected by the Covid-19 virus, famine and warfare, receive deliverance in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That we who praise God this day receive hope in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

That those who have died, receive everlasting life in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant Lord, we ask you to increase our faith in your risen Son, so that we will welcome your salvation in answer to these prayers. Praise, glory, and honor be yours, now and at the revelation of Jesus Christ, who is Lord for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant and People

Everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the door of mercy through which we pass day by day. Bless this parish and its leaders as we expand to become a compassionate community among our neighbors. May the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and the work of our hands enable Mercy House to be a home where those in need may live together in the bond of peace and love; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, for ever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy name. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an Absolution.

THE PEACECelebrantPeopleThe peace of the Lord be always with you.And with thy spirit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN 208 – Victory

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer II

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PROPER PREFACE OF EASTER

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of thy 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.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (Hymnal 797), sung by all

OUR FATHER	Prayer Book, page 334
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD: PASCHA NOSTE	RUM Prayer Book, page 337
PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS	Prayer Book, page 337
MINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION	
AGNUS DEI, from Missa Resurrectionis	Gerre Hancock (1934-2012)

MOTET: Surgens Jesus

THE CONCLUDING RITE

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

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PASCHAL BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

DISMISSAL

DeaconGo in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia.PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia

HYMN 205 – Gelobt sei Gott

ORGAN - Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens (1823-1881)

NOTICES

In our INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH today, we pray forAnglican CommunionChurch of Church of IrelandDiocese of AlbanyOur Bishop, Priests & DeaconsOur ParishYoung families & children

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