

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

## The Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

### Prelude *I've Just Seen Jesus*

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### Welcome

**A Moment of Silent Prayer** (*please kneel, as able*)

### The Word of God

**Processional Hymn** (*please stand, as able*)

**That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright**

**Hymn 193**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

### 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.**

### Hymn of Praise

**He Is Risen, He Is Risen! (vs 1)**

**Hymn 180**

He is risen, he is risen! Tell it out with joyful voice:

he has burst his three days' prison; let the whole wide earth rejoice:

death is conquered, we are free, Christ has won the victory.

Section: Easter Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895), alt. Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650–1680) Meter: 87. 87. 77

### The Collect of the Day

*The Celebrant says to the people*

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.**

*Children's Chapel: Children ages 3-8 come to the front of the church, follow the leader to Children's Worship (located in the Children's Ministry Building) and return at the Peace.*

## The Lessons *(please sit)*

### A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (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.

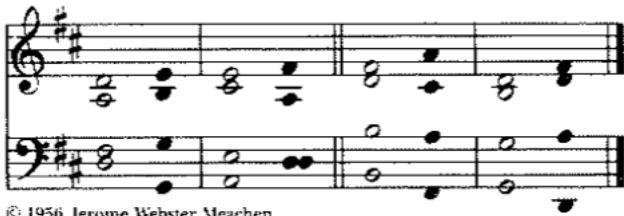
The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

### Psalm 133

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Jerome Webster Meachen  
(b. 1930)



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

### A Reading from the First Book of 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.

*People*    ***Thanks be to God.***

**Sequence Hymn** (*please stand, as able*)

**O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing**

**Hymn 206**

**The Gospel**

**John 20:19-31**

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*    ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Frank Samuelson**

**The Nicene Creed** (*please stand, as able*)

**BCP, p. 358**

**The Prayers of the People, Form VI**

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 Archbishop Justin, for our Presiding Bishop Michael for our Bishops Andrew, Jeff, Kai, and Hector; and for all bishop, priests, and deacons.

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and those of others, praying together for those on our parish prayer list.

***Annie, Bob, Carol, Deirin, Donna, Joseph, Lindsey, Oliver, Vern***

*(Silence: the Deacon, people and Celebrant may insert their own petitions.)*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*(Silence: The People may add their own thanksgivings)*

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.

*(Silence, The People may add their own petitions)*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

## **Announcements**

*If you are visiting with us, please fill out a Guest Card located in the pew rack in front of you, so we can share with you what God is doing here at Trinity and how you can be a part of it.*

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

## **Offertory Anthem**

***I Believe***

**Mark Miller**

***With Trinity Choristers  
Dustin Koonce, Harp***

*As the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar, please stand.*

## Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

*Praise God all creatures here below*

*Alleluia alleluia*

*Praise God the source of all our gifts*

*Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts*

*Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit*

*Alleluia alleluia alleluia*

## Prayers at Offertory

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* ***Blessed be God forever.***

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* ***Blessed be God forever.***

*Celebrant* Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your people for the work of your Church.

*People* ***Amen.***

*By your Baptism you are welcome to receive communion with us. Gluten free wafers and wine are available at the far end of the Altar Rail on the Gospel side (left side as you face the Altar). These wafers and the wine are separate from the wafers made of wheat. Please let the priest know you wish gluten free by putting your palms face down. When you drink from the chalice at communion, please take the bottom of the chalice and gently assist the LEM (Chalice Bearer).*

## The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

### Sanctus – S-128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

## The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

### Agnus Dei S-165

/ Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy  
 on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer - cy  
 on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

### Fraction Anthem

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord — Je - sus —  
 5 — in the break — ing — of the bread.

The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.  
 One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread.

## Communion Hymns

### We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight

Hymn 209

#### In the Bulb There Is a Flower

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;  
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be  
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;  
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me  
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,  
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;  
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,  
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,  
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

### I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

Hymn 490

*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

### Recessional Hymn

#### Awake, Arise, Lift Up Your Voice

Hymn 212

### The Dismissal

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

### Postlude

#### *Fugue in D Major, BWV 533*

J.S. Bach

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome to Trinity*

**We are so happy that you chose to worship with us today. Trinity is a wonderful place to be! Please fill out the Guests Card you see in the pews. It's so simple! You can scan the QR code and it will contact Jennifer Davenport for membership information or any questions. We are glad you are here!**

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Susan Costanzo.*

### **LECTOR AND LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING**

Would you be interested in deepening your experience during Sunday services? One way is to become a Lector (reading the Lessons) or Lay Eucharistic Minister (“LEM”; LEMs serve the chalice and read lessons and prayers as needed). Lectors must be members of Trinity. LEMs must be at least 16 years old, confirmed, and members of Trinity. A training session will be held on April 28th in the Sanctuary after the 10 AM service. Lector trainees will stay for the first 30 minutes and LEM trainees will continue for another 30 minutes (total of 1 hour). If you are interested, please just join the Verger after the 10 AM service on April 28. The Vergers will be happy to answer any questions you may have in the meantime.

### **SECOND SUNDAY BRUNCH**

Join us as the Holy Smokers cook a delicious brunch on April 14th. Breakfast items served between 9am and 10am. After 10 a.m. lunch food items will start to be served. They will be serving Baked Penne Pasta Casseroles- meat or vegetarian. Gluten free lasagna, salad, garlic bread and dessert. We request \$10 per plate. Hope to see you there!

### **THE COMMON TABLE**

Please join us for our April 2024 Gathering on Tuesday, April 16, from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. at Pallotta's Italian Grill at 27606 I-45 N. Conroe TX 77385. RSVP needed by Sunday, April 14 to Helen. For more details or to get on the mailing list, contact Helen Geiger at [hgeiger100@gmail.com](mailto:hgeiger100@gmail.com) or Peggy Sloan at [psloan@lolonline.org](mailto:psloan@lolonline.org)

### **FAITH EXPLORERS BOOK CLUB**

The Faith Explorers Book Club will begin the next book, Ragamuffin Gospel by Brennan Manning, on Wednesday, April 3, and discuss Chapter 1. We meet in the Youth Community Building at 12:30 on Wednesdays and share fellowship until 1:00 when discussion begins and finish around 2:15. For more information, please contact Bev Redd at [bevredd@gmail.com](mailto:bevredd@gmail.com) or 610-304-6630.



## **PRIME TIME GUYS**

Will meet on April 22 in the Horner Room. Fellowship is from 11am to 11:30, then worship from 11:30 to 11:45 for noon time prayer, next we will have lunch from 11:45 to 12:15, please bring your own sandwich. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Our discussion will be from 12:15 to 1:00pm. Topic of discussion/fellowship - eclipse stories, March Madness/Astros or whatever suits you.

## **TNT (Teens in Training)**

Calling all 4th-6th graders! TNT (Teens in Training) will have our next meeting on April 14 from 9am - 12pm at Trinity. We will meet in the Horner Room! Please contact Elizabeth Meza at [mezaea@gmail.com](mailto:mezaea@gmail.com) to RSVP and if you have questions.

## **TRINITY SING**

The 5th Annual TrinitySing benefitting the Audio/Visual Ministry will be Saturday, April 27th at 7:00. It will be an evening to celebrate the 80's! The Music Ministry will entertain you with some of the great hits of the decade of excess! Feel free to rock your favorite 80's styles. Limited Premium Tables for 8 will be available for \$200 per table. Love Offerings will be graciously accepted to benefit the Audio/Visual Ministry. Desserts lovingly prepared by the Music Ministry will be offered.

## **BROTHERHOOD OF ST ANDREW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Texas Assembly of the Brotherhood of St Andrew is awarding two scholarships of \$6,000 total to three high school graduating seniors in the Diocese of Texas in 2024. The scholarships will be awarded in May 2024 and the scholarship funds will be sent to the college the applicants are to attend. If you are interested in more information and how to apply - Jennifer Davenport [jdavenport@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:jdavenport@trinitywoodlands.org)

## **OUTREACH MAY 3RD SOCIAL**

To all outreach volunteers - If you can please RSVP either "yes" or "no" to the emailed Evite invitation sent to you for the May 3rd Social Event. We know how much food to order. We hope you can come. If you have any questions contact the office for Sandy Soghikian or email at [outreach@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:outreach@trinitywoodlands.org)

## **MADD CAMP**

Calling all budding thespians! MADD (Music, Art, Dance, Drama) will be July 22-26, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., with performance Fri, July 26 at 6:00 p.m. This year's musical is *Rescue In the Night* by Alan Pote and Tom Long. This fun musical tells the story of Daniel in the lion's den. Cast includes Daniel, King Darius, 3 Sneaky Advisors, and of course, a tough gang of lions! MADD Camp is open to students who have completed 1st-6th grades. For more information, contact Micki Balog

## **TRINITY MOMS' GROUP**

Moms of all ages gather on Monday mornings from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. (except on CISD holidays) in the Youth Community Building for fellowship, Bible Study, and prayer.

## **YOUTH COMMUNITY**

See you for our usual dinner and games, small group Bible study. Bring a friend! Follow us on Instagram @trinity.youth.community, and sign up to get reminders by texting @trinyou to the number 81010.

## **CHILDREN'S NURSERY & CHAPEL**

During the 10AM service children ages 3-8 are invited to Children's Chapel for their own Liturgy of the Word. We sing songs, say kid versions of the prayers their adults are saying in Big Church, read the same scripture from Big Church from a children's Bible, have a mini children's sermon, and sing some more Bible songs. They return to their adults in the Big Church at the Peace. Mrs. Jen, Mrs. Holly, Mtr. Joanna, and Fr. Frank takes turns leading Children's Chapel and would love to see your kiddos! The Trinity Nursery is available for children ages 0-3 for the entire service.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to donate the flowers on the altar in thanksgiving for or in memory of a loved one, you can sign up in the narthex. A suggested donation of \$75.00 is requested to help cover the cost. To have your dedication included in the Sunday bulletin, please email Liz Linger at [llinger@trinitywoodlands.org](mailto:llinger@trinitywoodlands.org)

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Healing:** Violet, Virlen W., Lindsey S., Curt H., Sarah K., Matt H., Vern K., Andy H., Ernie L., Anthony N., Alan M., Scott C., Bonnie, Darlene H., Kate, Sue, Marta A., and Amanda A., Larry, Scotty and Roger S.

**Thanksgiving:** John Nedelka

**Guidance:** Ryan, Scott, Chris, and Luke

**Birth:** Elanor Ash Macris, Chole Olivia Brady and Aurora Sarah Mistal

**Departed:** Olive R.



*Rector - The Rev. Dr. Gerald Sevick*

*Associate Rector - The Rev. Frank Samuelson*

*Curate - The Rev. Joanna Unangst*

*Deacon - The Rev. John Vancamp*

*Deacon - The Rev. Russ Oechsel*

*Director of Music - Micki Balog*

*Coordinating Verger – Richard Mayer*