



St. Peter's Anglican Church
Loveland, CO

HOLY EUCHARIST
Second Sunday of Easter

WELCOME
IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST



April 7, 2024

Processional: The Strife is O'er – H - #132

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done,
the victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun. *Alleluia!*

The pow'rs of death have done their worst;
but Christ their legions hath dispersed;
Let shout of holy joy outburst. *Alleluia!*

The three sad days are quickly sped,
he rises glorious from the dead;
All glory to our risen Head! *Alleluia!*

He closed the yawning gates of hell;
the bars from heav'n's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise his triumphs tell! *Alleluia!*

Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
That we may live and sing to thee. *Alleluia!*

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

All: 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.

Deacon/Priest: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.
- *Matthew 22:37-40*

The Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Pascha Nostrum

God's Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;
Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Now Christ is raised and will not die again;
Death has no more dominion over him;
Through him we die to sin and live to God.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:
Though Adam's sin had doomed all flesh to die,
In Christ's new life shall all be made alive.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Collect for the Day

Celebrant: 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 people may sit.)

The First Lesson: Isaiah 26:1-9, 19

1 In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: "We have a strong city; he sets up salvation as walls and bulwarks. 2 Open the gates, that the righteous nation that keeps faith may enter in. 3 You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you. 4 Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock. 5 For he has humbled the inhabitants of the height, the lofty city. He lays it low, lays it low to the ground, casts it to the dust. 6 The foot tramples it, the feet of the poor, the steps of the needy." 7 The path of the righteous is level; you make level the way of the righteous. 8 In the path of your judgments, O Lord, we wait for you; your name and remembrance are the desire of our soul. 9 My soul yearns for you in the night; my spirit within me earnestly seeks you. For when your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world learn righteousness. 19 Your dead shall live; their bodies shall rise. You who dwell in the dust, awake and sing for joy! For your dew is a dew of light, and the earth will give birth to the dead.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 111 *Confitebor tibi*

1 Praise the LORD. I will give thanks unto the LORD with my whole **heart**, *
in the company of the upright, and among the / congre-**ga**-tion.
2 The works of the LORD are **great**, *
sought out by all who have /plea-sure **in** them.
3 His work is worthy to be praised and held in **ho**-nor, *
and his righteousness en-/dures for **e**-ver.
4 He has made his marvelous works to be had in re-**mem**-brance; *
The LORD is gracious / and mer-**ci**-ful.
5 He has given food to those who **fear** him; *
he shall ever be mindful / of his **cov**-enant.
6 He has shown his people the power of his **works**, *
that he may give them the heritage / of the **na**-tions.
7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and **ju**-stice; *
all his co-/mmand-ments **are** true.
8 They stand fast for ever and **e**-ver, *
and are done in / truth and **e**-quity.
9 He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for **e**-ver; *
holy and / awe-some **is** his Name.
10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of **wi**-sdom; *
a good understanding have all those who live accordingly; his praise en-/dures for **e**-ver.

*All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and/ to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be for/ever A-men.*

The Second Lesson: 1 John 5:1-5

1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 1-3)

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem,
Your sweetest notes employ,
The paschal victory to hymn
In strains of holy joy.

For Judah's Lion bursts his chains
To crush the serpent's head,
And cries aloud through death's domains
To wake the imprisoned dead.

Devouring depths of hell their prey
At his command restore;
His ransomed hosts pursue their way
Where Jesus goes before.

Deacon or Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

19 On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld." 24 Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." 26 Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." 28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." 30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this

book; 31 but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Deacon or Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem – H # 130 (V. 4-5)

Triumphant in his glory now,
To him all pow'r is giv'n;
To him in one communion bow
All saints in earth and heav'n.

All glory to the Father be,
All glory to the Son,
All glory, Holy Ghost, to thee,
While endless ages run.

The Sermon

Deacon or Priest: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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, 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.

(Please kneel, stand, or sit as you are able.)

Prayers of the People

Deacon or Priest: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Intercessor: Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially our President Joseph and our Governor Jared, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servants: our Archbishop, Foley Beach; our Bishop, Bill Atwood; our Rector, Father Matt Rucker, and our assisting clergy: Father Bill Easterling, and Deacon Larry Doyle. that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: We remember before you all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom.

(Please offer your prayers, either out loud or silently.)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

(Additional petitions may be made during this moment of silence.)

Deacon or Priest: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Deacon or Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *I Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *I John 2:1-2*

(Please stand as you are able.)

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And with your spirit.

The Offering

“Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God”.

Ephesians 5:2

(Please stand as you are able.)

Offertory: Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

– H # 137

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Of triumphant gladness!

God hath brought his Israel

Into joy from sadness:

Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke

Jacob's sons and daughters,

Led them with unmoistened foot

Through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today:

Christ hath burst his prison,

And from three days' sleep in death

As a sun hath risen;

All the winter of our sins,

Long and dark, is flying

From his light, to whom we give

Laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright
With the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts,
Comes its joy to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem,
Who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains
Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death,
Nor the tomb's dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal
Hold thee as a mortal:
But today amidst thine own
Thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore
Passeth human knowing.

The Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Celebrant: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

***People:* And of your own have we given you.**

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

***People:* It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

(Proper Preface) 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 offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again 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:

Sanctus with Benedictus - S#779

*Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord, God of hosts,*

*Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.*

*Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

(The people may kneel, stand, or sit)

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation.

By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

***All:* Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. *Amen.*

Celebrant: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold 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.***

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Please kneel or stand as you are able.)

Prayer of Humble Access

All: We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei – S#780

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Have mercy upon us.*

*O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
Grant us thy peace.*

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(You may kneel, stand, or sit during Communion.)

Communion Hymns

The Risen Christ (Getty)

O Breath of God, come fill this place
Revive our hearts to know Your grace
And from our slumber make us rise
That we may know the risen Christ

O Word of God so clear and true
Renew our minds to trust in You
And give to us the Bread of Life
That we may know the risen Christ

O Love of God, so unrestrained
Refresh our souls in Jesus' name
Let us reflect Your sacrifice
That we may know the risen Christ

May God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit make us one
In holiness, let us unite
That we may know the risen Christ

That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright- H #134

That Easter day with joy was bright
The sun shone out with fairer light
When to their longing eyes restored
The apostles saw their risen Lord.

His risen flesh with radiance glowed;
His wounded hands and feet he showed;
Those scars their solemn witness gave
That Christ was risen from the grave.

O Jesus King of gentleness,
Do thou thyself our hearts possess,
That we may give thee, all our days,
The willing tribute of our praise.

O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Eastertide;
From ev'ry weapon death can wield,
Thine own redeemed for ever shield.

All praise O risen Lord, we give
To thee, who dead again dost live;
To God the Father equal praise,
And God the Holy Ghost we raise.

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed (Getty)

How can it be the One who died
Has borne our sin through sacrifice
To conquer every sting of death?
Sing, sing "Hallelujah!"

For joy awakes as dawning light
When Christ's disciples lift their eyes.
Alive He stands, their Friend and King:
Christ, Christ He is risen!

Chorus:

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Oh sing "Hallelujah!"

Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed:

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Where doubt and darkness once had been,
They saw Him and their hearts believed;
But bless'd are those who have not seen,
Yet sing "Hallelujah!"

Once bound by fear, now bold in faith,
They preached the truth and pow'r of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained
Life, life everlasting. (Chorus)

The power that raised Him from the grave
Now works in us to powerfully save
He frees our hearts to live His grace
Go tell of His goodness. (Chorus)

He's alive! He's alive!
Heaven's gates are open wide
He's alive! He's alive!
Now in Heaven glorified

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body
and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and
for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are
living members of the body of your Son, and heirs

**of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us
out to do the work you have given us to do, to love
and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our
Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be
honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all
understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the
knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus
Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the
Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you,
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional: He is Risen H- #144

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, man is free;
Christ has won the victory.

Come, ye sad and fearful hearted,
With glad smile and radiant brow:
Lents long shadows have departed;
All his woes are over now,
And the passion that he bore;
Sin and pain can vex no more.

Come, with high and holy hymning,
Chant our Lord's triumphant lay;
Not one darksome cloud is dimming
Yonder glorious morning ray,
Breaking o'er the purple east,
Symbol of our Easer feast.

He is risen, he is risen!
He hath opened heaven's gate;
We are free from sin's dark prison,
Risen to a holier state;
And a brighter Easter beam
On our longing eyes shall stream.

The Dismissal

Deacon or Priest: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in
the Name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**