



THE PARISH CHURCH  
— AT HABERSHAM —

*The Second Sunday of Easter*  
Sunday, April 16, 2023  
*10:30 am*



# Liturgy of the Word

## Welcome and Announcements

### Opening Hymn:

*How Firm A Foundation*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

“The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake,  
I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake.”

## The Acclamation

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People* The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

### *The Celebrant prays:*

#### The Collect for Purity

#### The Summary of the Law

#### Gloria:

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with your spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

#### The Collect of the Day

**First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-23**

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

<sup>22</sup> “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— <sup>23</sup> this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. <sup>24</sup> God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. <sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

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

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

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

<sup>29</sup> “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, <sup>31</sup> he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. <sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 111

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord.

*I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.*

<sup>2</sup> Great are the works of the Lord;

*they are pondered by all who delight in them.*

<sup>3</sup> Glorious and majestic are his deeds,

*and his righteousness endures forever.*

<sup>4</sup> He has caused his wonders to be remembered;

*the Lord is gracious and compassionate.*

<sup>5</sup> He provides food for those who fear him;

*he remembers his covenant forever.*

<sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works,

*giving them the lands of other nations.*

<sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just;

*all his precepts are trustworthy.*

<sup>8</sup> They are established for ever and ever,

*enacted in faithfulness and uprightness.*

<sup>9</sup> He provided redemption for his people;

*he ordained his covenant forever—  
holy and awesome is his name.*

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;

*all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit\*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen*

## New Testament: 1 Peter 1:13-25

<sup>13</sup> Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>14</sup> As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, <sup>15</sup> but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, <sup>16</sup> since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” <sup>17</sup> And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, <sup>18</sup> knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. <sup>20</sup> He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you <sup>21</sup> who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

<sup>22</sup> Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, <sup>23</sup> since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God;

<sup>24</sup> For

“All flesh is like grass  
and all its glory like the flower of grass.  
The grass withers,  
and the flower falls,

<sup>25</sup> but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

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

## Gradual Hymn:

## Before The Throne

Behold him there! The risen Lamb,  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable I Am,  
The King of glory and of grace!  
One with himself, I cannot die;  
My soul is purchased by his blood;  
My life hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to St. John.

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

## The Gospel: John 20:19-31

<sup>19</sup> 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." <sup>20</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And 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 withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, 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 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.”

<sup>26</sup> 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.” <sup>27</sup> 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.” <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 believed.”

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

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Sermon

The Rev. Jamie Sosnowski

The Nicene Creed

*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.*

## **The Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, “hear our prayer.”

*After each intercession, prayers from the congregation are invited.*

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

## **The Confession of Sin**

*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.*

## **The Absolution of Sin**

## The Comfortable Words

### The Peace (*standing*)

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

*People: And with your spirit.*

### Offertory:

### All Glory Be to Christ

Should nothing of our efforts stand  
No legacy survive  
Unless the Lord does raise the house  
In vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain  
Tell me what is your life  
A mist that vanishes at dawn  
All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our king!  
All glory be to Christ!  
His rule and reign we'll ever sing,  
All glory be to Christ!

His will be done  
His kingdom come  
On earth as is above  
Who is Himself our daily bread  
Praise Him the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy  
The thirsty without price  
We'll take a cup of kindness yet  
All glory be to Christ!



When on the day the great I Am  
The faithful and the true  
The Lamb who was for sinners slain  
Is making all things new.

Behold our God shall live with us  
And be our steadfast light  
And we shall ere his people be  
All glory be to Christ!

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## The Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## The Sursum Corda

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.*

## The Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in  
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

## The Prayer of Consecration

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People: Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

## The Lord's Prayer

## The Fraction

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all upon the Cross.

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

## The Prayer of Humble Access

*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.*

## The Invitation

## The Ministration of Communion

The King of Love My Shepherd

<sup>1</sup> The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine forever.

<sup>2</sup> Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth;  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

<sup>3</sup> Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me;  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

<sup>4</sup> In death's dark vale I fear no ill,  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

<sup>5</sup> Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

<sup>6</sup> And so through all the length of days,  
thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.

## The Post Communion Prayer

*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 the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

## The Blessing

Closing Hymn:

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so,  
Little ones to him belong; They are weak, but he is strong.

*Refrain:* Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me-this I know-As he loved so long ago,  
Taking children on his knee, Saying, "Let them come to me." *Refrain.*

Jesus loves me-loves me still, Even when I'm weak and ill;  
From his shining throne on high, Comes to watch me  
where I lie. *Refrain.*

Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin, Let his little child come in.  
*Refrain.*

## The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

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### Thank You for Worshipping with Us!

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