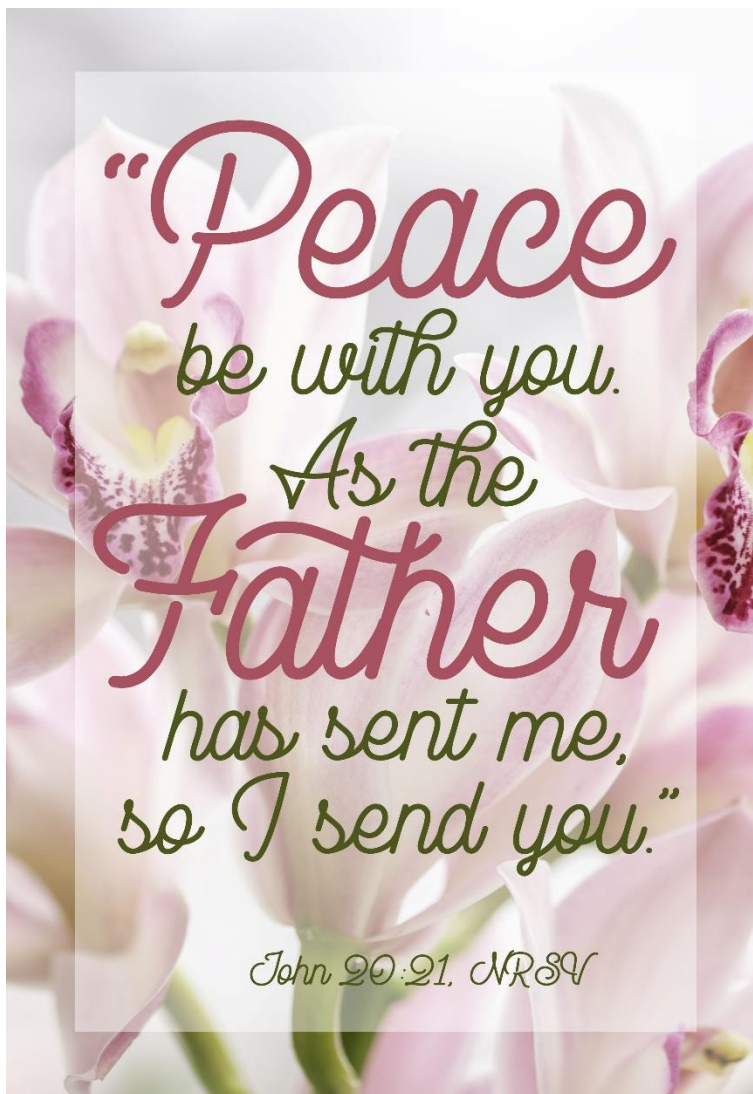


# St. Charles Episcopal Church

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist - Rite II



April 7, 2024

Readings & Hymns | Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome! We are pleased you are joining us today. Please share this service with your family, friends, and neighbors. Thank you, and God bless you for your faithfulness.

**Voluntary**

**Fugue on O Filii et Filiae**

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

*The People stand as they are able when the bell rings.*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

**Gathering Hymn 179** (*omit stanzas 2-3*)

*Fortunatus*

**Collect for Purity**

Celebrant: 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.

**People: Amen.**

**Canticle for Easter**

**A Song to the Lamb**

John Abdenour

*First time: Choir | Second time: Congregation*

Splen - dor and hon - or and  
sov' - reign power are yours by right, O Lord our God.

**REFRAIN: Splendor and honor and sov'reign power are yours by right,  
O Lord our God.**

**CHOIR:** For you created everything that is, all things took form according to your will.  
**REFRAIN**

**CHOIR:** And yours by right, O Lamb that once was slain, for with your blood have you redeemed for God. From every nation, people, tribe, and tongue, a countless priestly host to serve our God.  
**REFRAIN**

**CHOIR:** And to the one who sits upon the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, be worship, dominion, splendor, and praise, for ages past, and ages yet to come.  
**REFRAIN**

## Collect of the Day

Celebrant: 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.

**People: Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## Reading 1

**Matthew 28:9-10**

Jesus met Mary Magdalene and the other Mary and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.

Let us pray:

**Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that we who celebrate with awe the Paschal feast may be found worthy to attain to everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Hymn 178** (*sing stanzas 1,2, and 4*)

*Alleluia! Give Thanks*

**Reading 2**

**John 20:11-18**

Mary Magdalene stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Let us pray:

**O God, who by the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light: Grant that we, who have been raised with him, may abide in his presence and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be dominion and praise for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Reading 3**

**Luke 24:13-35**

Now on that same day, the first day of the week, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures."

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up

and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Let us pray:

**O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Hymn 335**

*Bread of Life*

**Reading 4**

**Luke 24:36b-48**

Jesus stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled. "Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. "

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.**

**Hymn 188**

*Savannah*

**Reading 5**

**John 21:1-14**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did

the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Let us pray:

**Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise for our justification: Give us grace so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Hymn 174** (*sing stanzas 1 and 4*)

*Salzburg*

**Reading 6**

**Mark 16:9-15, 20**

After Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. She went out and told those who had been with him, while they were mourning and weeping. But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it.

After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them.

Later he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were sitting at the table; and he upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation."

And they went out and proclaimed the good news everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that accompanied it.



Let us pray:

We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 673

*Ballad*

*The people stand as they are able.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Organ

All Sing

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Al-le-lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Al-le-lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### Gospel

**John 20:19-31**

**Deacon:** 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.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The people sit.*

*A period of silent meditation will be kept.*

*The people stand as they are able for the reciting of the Nicene Creed.*

## **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:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from 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.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

### **Prayers of the People (Form III)**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

Intercessor: Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People: That we all may be one.**

Intercessor: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and  
humbly serve you;

**People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor: We pray for our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, For our Bishop Paula Clark, for our Priest Rev. Fran and for our Deacon, Steve. We pray for all who minister to God's people.

**People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**People: That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor: Give to the departed eternal rest.

**People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor: We pray for all those who have died especially those we now name silently or aloud.

Intercessor: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence for intercessions.*

Intercessor: We pray for members of parish family (names read by the Deacon)

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## **Peace**

*All stand as they are able.*

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

**People: And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory Hymn 206**

*O Filii et Filiae*

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer 1 - Enriching Our Worship*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

Celebrant: It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God,  
source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your  
constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one  
body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.  
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels

and with the faithful of every generation,  
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Holy, Holy – Mass of Joy

Ian Higginson

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord,  
God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are  
full of you glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant: Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all

your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.



## Breaking of the Bread

*The priest breaks the consecrated Bread. Silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem S167

#### The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus

*plainsong*



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



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### Communion

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available as well as grape juice; please make your need known to the minister. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than communion, please indicate by crossing your arms when you approach the Celebrant.*

**Communion Anthem**  
**Now the Green Blade Riseth**

arranged William Witherup

Now the green blade riseth 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 that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom hate had slain,  
thinking that never he would wake again,  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain,  
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
thy touch can call us back to life again,  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

**Communion Hymn 209**

*St. Botolph*

**Post Communion Prayer**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen**

## Blessing

Celebrant: May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world, as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you always.

**All: Amen.**

## Sending Forth Hymn 182

*Truro*

## Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord.

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

## Voluntary

**Prélude et Toccata sur *Victimae Pashali Laudes***

Denis Bédard (b.1950)



## *About Today's Service*

*A service for the Sunday after Easter using the resurrection stories and prayers assigned for the appointed daily reading in Easter week, first compiled for use by Catherine Huber for St. Paul's, Oregon, OH.*

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