

The Second Sunday of Easter

7 April 2024 · 9:00 AM

The *Chapel* of the Good Shepherd
ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE



MORNING PRAYER

Voluntary Matins (*Morning Prayer*)

Healey Willan

Hymn That Easter day with joy was bright

Puer nobis

The Easter Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

-Psalm 118:24

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

-1 Corinthians 15:57

The officiant continues

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The Pascha Nostrum

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.
Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die, *
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

Psalm 133

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

The First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

Reader A reading from Acts.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle Death is Only the Beginning

The Work of the People

The Second Reading

1 John 1:1-2:2

Reader A reading from First John.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

John 20:19-31

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to John.

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us 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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

In the power of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord, saying: Lord, have mercy.

For the whole bright earth, so lovingly created and so compassionately redeemed, that it may speak again of the glory and majesty of God, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all nations and peoples of the earth, to whom God shows no partiality, that all may be transformed by mercy to live together in hope, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the holy Church brought to life by the Holy Spirit, that in its diversity it may witness to one Lord, one faith, and one baptism, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all in high places of authority, for whom Christ was put to death and was raised, that they may be led to govern with equity and justice, bringing life to those in the shadow of death, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have been baptized and given the garments of light, that they, with the whole church, may be witnesses to the Gospel in daily life, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all captives, prisoners, and those condemned to die, with whom the Holy One shares suffering and abandonment, that they may find strength, freedom, and forgiveness, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who suffer in mind, body, or soul, for whom Christ is risen with healing in his glorious wings, that they may be comforted, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the dying, those who have died, and for all who grieve, that in Christ who triumphs over death they may find light perpetual and blessed assurance, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the communities of Good Shepherd and St. John's, that we may see the tomb empty, experience the presence of the risen Christ, and walk joyfully in newness of life, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

The presider continues

Rejoicing in the risen presence of our Lord, we commend all for whom we pray and ourselves to Christ, to whom we give laud and praise now and forever. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

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.**

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Announcements from Good Shepherd

Announcements from St. John's

Please use the chat feature to announce birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones to be celebrated.

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Easter 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 good 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 among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people. The people respond.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**
-2 Corinthians 13:14

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
-Romans 15:13

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**
-Ephesians 3:20,21

Hymn Alleluia! The strife is o'er, the battle done

Victory

Voluntary Toccata on *O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing*

Lynwood Farnham



Parish Announcements

Happy Easter & Thank You!!!

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter celebrations at St. John's beautiful, holy, and meaningful. Whether it was singing in the choir, reading at a service, helping with the receptions or any of the myriad of other ways you might have helped, thank you, thank you, thank you!!!

Prayers for the Sick

Today is the first Sunday of the second quarter of the year and the prayers for the sick have been “reset”. Those who request prayers are reminded of their responsibility to share with us “how it goes” for the persons for whom you ask us to pray. Pass word to the clergy or email the office, please.

“How to Be Perfect”: Making Moral Decisions

Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. from April 23 – May 7

Making moral decisions is hard. But we can have fun together while discerning how to make those decisions. Join Fr. Bradley for discussions about moral philosophy and Christian ethics using Michael Schur’s book *How to be Perfect* and the TV show “The Good Place.” We will meet on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. from April 23 – May 7. Dinner will be served. Please contact Bradley at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org for more information, if you need childcare, and/or if you have any dietary restrictions.

Newcomer’s Event

Friday, April 26 from 6-8 p.m.

Are you new to St. John’s? New-er? New-ish? The Vestry would like to invite you to join us Friday, April 26th for a casual evening of food and fellowship from 6-8 p.m. at St. John’s. Children’s activities/childcare and food will be provided. For more information, please contact Julie Peretin at julie.peretin@gmail.com.

Eastertide Hymn Festival

Sunday, April 28, 5 p.m. at St. John’s

On Sunday, April 28 at 5 p.m. the St. John’s choir will lead an Eastertide hymn festival centered on creation. They will be joined by Marilyn Keiser, director of music emeritus at Trinity Episcopal in Bloomington, who was also professor of music (organ and church music) at Indiana University for 25 years. This kind of thematic hymn festival, featuring choral leadership with instrumental music and robust congregational singing, is cherished in many faith traditions. As a community of Christians, we will make a joyful noise and praise God together in song. For more information, contact Michael Bennett at michael@stjohns-laf.org.

Parish Prayer List

St. John's Cycle of Prayer— Jennifer Chandler and her children Hannah, Matthew, and Thomas, Cresta & Colleen Coulter-Cates and their children Solomon, Liam, Lyle, and Keegan, Ellie Culbertson, Nancy Dandrow

Parish Prayer List— Janet Huber, Don Nead, Alice Anderson, John Howland, Kathie Basden, Sue Eichhorn, Paul Lawson, Carolyn Speer, Pam Ogorzaly, Bill McInerney, Carol Helgerman, Barbara Hess, Paul Roberts, Rosemarie Goonewardene, Ginny Hull, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Alyce Dressler, Pequita Behrndt, Rachel, Judy, Peter, David, and their families. For the people of Israel, Palestine, and Afghanistan; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community.

For those who have died—For all who have died and those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden

The leaders of our Communion—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria; and St. John's, Lafayette

This nation and all in authority—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and Erin, our mayors



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