

# The Holy Eucharist

## The Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

### The Liturgy of the Word

#### Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart. I want to see You; I want to see You. Open the eyes of my heart, Lord; open the eyes of my heart. I want to see You. I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory. Pour out Your pow'r and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy. High and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory. Pour out Your pow'r and love, as we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. Holy, holy, holy. We want to see You.

#### Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

Celebrant Let us pray

**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.**

#### The Summary of the Law

**Celebrant** 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.

#### The Kyrie

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

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

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

#### Let Us Adore

1. The heavens declare the glory of God and all of the world will join the praise, His wonders proclaim.

2. The oceans and skies lift up their voice, and all He has made will rise to bless the King of all kings.

**C. Let us adore Him. Let us adore Him. Jesus Christ is the Lord. Come and behold Him. Bow down before Him. Jesus Christ is the Lord.**

3. Eternity's King is coming again. Though all of the earth will fade away, His truth will remain.

B. Hallelujah. Hallelujah. You are worthy of all praise.

#### Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you

**People And also with you**

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.

**All Amen.**

## The Lessons

### Isaiah 26:1-9

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

People            **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 congregation.**

2 The works of the LORD are great, \*  
**sought out by all who have pleasure in them.**

3 His work is worthy to be praised and held in honor, \*  
**and his righteousness endures for ever.**

4 He has made his marvelous works to be had in remembrance; \*  
**The LORD is gracious and merciful.**

5 He has given food to those who fear him; \*  
**he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.**

6 He has shown his people the power of his works, \*

**that he may give them the heritage of the nations.**

7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \*

**all his commandments are true.**

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, \*

**and are done in truth and equity.**

9 He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever; \*

**holy and awesome is his Name.**

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \*

**a good understanding have all those who live accordingly; his praise endures for ever.**

**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.**

### **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

**People Thanks be to God**

**The Gospel John 20:19-31**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**People Glory to you Lord Christ**

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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord

**People Praise to you Lord Christ**

### **The Sermon**

#### **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.

### **Prayers of the People**

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer."

Leader For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For Foley, our Archbishop, Mark, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our Diocese and Congregation. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service especially President Biden, Governor Beshear and the Mayors of the Bluegrass. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy:

**People Hear our prayer.**

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

*(As we pause in silence all are invited to offer silent petitions and intercessions or pray out loud with those gathered together.)*

Leader 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.

### **The Confession and Absolution of Sin**

Celebrant 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.

### **The Comfortable Words**

Celebrant 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. 1 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. 1 John 2:1-2

### **The Peace**

Celebrant May the peace of Christ be always with you.

**People And also with you.**

## **The Liturgy of Holy Communion**

### **The Offertory**

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.**

### **The Sursum Corda**

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the 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 forever say/sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **The Sanctus**

**All 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**

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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 for ever.

**All AMEN**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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

**All 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.**

#### **Fraction**

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

**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 Agnus Dei**

Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**People** have mercy on us.  
Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**People** have mercy on us.  
Celebrant Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**People** grant us your 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.

### **The Ministration of Communion**

#### **Agnus Dei**

Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Holy, Holy are you Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb; worthy is the Lamb. You are Holy. Holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb. Worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

#### **The Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

**Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people [gathered around every altar of your Church], and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

#### **The Prayer of Christian Discipleship**

**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**

##### **Christ Is Risen**

1. Let no one caught in sin remain inside the lie of inward shame. We fix our eyes upon the cross and run to him who showed great love and bled for us. Freely you bled, for us.

**C. Christ is risen from the dead trampling over death by death. Come awake, come awake! Come and rise up from the grave! Christ is risen from the dead we are one with him again. Come awake, come awake! Come and rise up from the grave!**

2. Beneath the weight of all our sin you bow to none but heavens will. No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown. No burden great can hold you down. In strength you reign. Forever let your church proclaim.

B. Oh death! Where is your sting? Oh hell! Where is your victory? Oh Church! Come stand in the light! The glory of God has defeated the night! Oh death! Where is your sting? Oh hell! Where is your victory? Oh Church! Come stand in the light! Our God is not dead, he's alive! He's alive! Rise up from the grave...

#### **The Dismissal**

Priest Let us bless the Lord.  
**People** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!