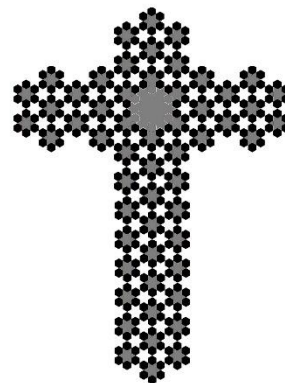


THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 11, 2021

8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite One



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

During this time of social distancing: Please sit in one of the spaces in a pew marked with a piece of white masking tape. People in the same household may sit together, but everyone else should sit 6 feet apart.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

Hymnals, Prayer Books and Bibles are in a bookcase in the back of the church. If you would like to use one, please take one and return it in the box after the service.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Symbols in the Bulletin: **P** Priest **D** Deacon **L** Leader **C** Congregation **A** Everyone

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle reminder: please silence your mobile phone before the service.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Symbols used in the bulletin: **P** Priest **C** Congregation **L** Lector]

PRELUDE

Fugue on "In Babilone"

Peter Pindar Stearns

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Al Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

C Christ, have mercy upon us.

P Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA

C Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards all.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy Spirit.

P 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.

C Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE READINGS: Acts 4:32-35 • Psalm 133 • 1 John 1:1-2:2 • John 20:19-31

The First Reading

L *The First Reading is taken from Acts, chapter 4...*

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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

- ℣ *We will read responsively from 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 Second Reading:

- ℣ *The Second Reading is taken from 1 John, Chapter 1...*

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.

- ℣ The Word of the Lord.
- ☩ **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel:

- ☩ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
- ☩ **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

- ☩ 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.

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

☑ **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Cindy Roehl

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

☐ Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

☒ Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. Risen Lord,

☑ **hear our prayer.**

L Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Michael, our Priest in Charge, Cindy, our Deacon; Whitney, our Rector Elect; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese: St. Mary's, Tampa; St. Catherine's, Temple Terrace; St. Anne of Grace, Seminole; to the Clearwater Deanery Collaboration Partners; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially President Biden, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [*Add handwritten names from notebook*] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [*Leave time...*] We pray in faith. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. We give thanks for the flowers given today to the Glory of God, and for the birthdays this week, Mary Ann Wigmore, Patricia Gehring, Mary Ann Man, Lawrence Singer, Judy Warner, Betty Fraley, and for those celebrating anniversaries this week, Phil & Carol Beauchamp. We give thanks for all the blessings of this life. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [*especially... add names from notebook*]. Please add names of those on your heart, silently or aloud. [*Leave time...*] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Risen Lord,

C **hear our prayer.**

L Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

C **Amen.**

THE PEACE

- P** The peace of the Lord be always with you.
G **And with thy spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

- D** Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Bring your tithes, gifts and offerings with a gladsome heart.

OFFERTORY

The Call (Mystical Songs)

R. Vaughan Williams

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

- D** As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge:
G **All things come from thee, O Lord and of thine own have we given thee.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

- P** The Lord be with you.
G **And with thy spirit.**
P Lift up your hearts.
G **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
G **It is meet and right so to do.**
P It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. For the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,
G **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.**
P All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.
P For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, 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, he 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 remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."
- Ⓟ Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.
- ☩ **And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;**
- Ⓟ By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.
- ☩ **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Ⓟ And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,
- ☩ **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- Ⓟ Be known to us, Lord Jesus, in the breaking of the Bread.
- ☩ **We come with joy to meet our Lord.**
- Ⓟ 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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P** Let us pray.
- C** **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

- P** The God who is creating a new heaven and a new earth, who walks where least expected, who disturbs the comfortable and comforts the distressed, and whom death could not control, now sends you out to announce with your lives that the Lord is risen indeed. Go, you are blessed in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

- P** Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve our Risen Lord!
- C** **Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Maestoso in Eb

J. Plag

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	Michael Durning
Deacon & Preacher	Cindy Roehl
Guest Organist	Sandra Rogers
Chalicer/Acolyte	Wendy Dickie
Lector	Patrick Brinsko
Prayers of the People	Wendy Dickie
Ushers	Dick Smedley & Ed Steponaitis
Building & Grounds	Dave Thornton

Sandra Rogers, DMA

Sandra has been a resident of Florida for eighteen years and lives in Dunedin. She has served churches in the area as an interim and substitute organist. Recently, she was the musician at St. Vincent's Episcopal Church in St. Petersburg. Sandra holds the Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from SUNY Stony Brook in Voice. Her organ study was with Dr. Sam Batt Owens at the Conservatory of Music, Birmingham-Southern College and she holds a Bachelor of Music Degree from the University of Texas in Austin.

Dr. Rogers has been a long-time member of the American Guild of Organists, Clearwater Chapter, and is a past member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing.

She has directed and sung major roles in opera, musicals, oratorios and cantatas; sang with the Tampa Bay Chorus and with other local choruses as a soloist or as a chorus member. As a professional voice teacher, Sandra has taught voice at major universities and community colleges. She maintains a private voice studio.