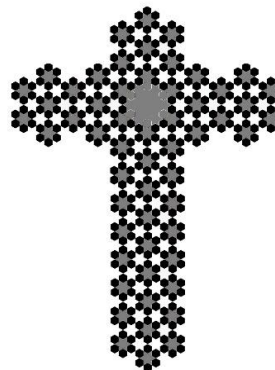


THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7, 2024

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

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.

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

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.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

O Fili et Filiae
(based on the Entrance Hymn #206)

Alexandre Guilmant
(1837-1911)

During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN H-206

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

O FILII ET FILIAE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King,
o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!**

**That night the apostles met in fear; amidst them came their Lord most dear,
and said, "My peace be on all here." Alleluia!**

**When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord,
he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!**

**"My pierced side, O Thomas, see; my hands, my feet, I show to thee;
not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia!**

**No longer Thomas then denied, he saw the feet, the hands, the side;
"Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!**

**How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been;
for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

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.

THE 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.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

Acts 4:32-35

Lector *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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

(all singing)

1 Be-hold the good-ness of our Lord, how blest it is to be
 2 Like pre-cious oil up - on the head, a heal-ing for our strife,
 3 As dew on Zi - on's moun-tain - top brings fresh-ness to its door,

a com - pan - y of God's be-loved, in ho - ly u - ni - ty.
 it flows through-out our com-mon bond, re - fresh - ing all of life.
 our Lord com-mands this in our midst and brings life ev-er-more.

THE SECOND READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from First John chapters 1 and 2....*

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.

Lector **The Word of the Lord.***People* **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

FILII ET FILIAE

All sing this refrain:

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

Choir: How blest are they who have not seen and yet whose faith has constant been, for they eternal life shall win, Alleluia! (Refrain)

THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Deacon 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.**

SERMON *The people sit.*

The Rev. Kathleen Walter

NICENE CREED *All stand as able.*

People

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.

Deacon

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lector

Lord, in your mercy

People

Hear our prayer.

Lector

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Nancy Cerwin, Dave Mitchell, Joe Lombardo, Tammi Wrest, Stephanie Sarkis, Mary Ann Wigmore, and the anniversary this coming week of Bill and Mary Lasko.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially . . . [add names from notebook] and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time], give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, (especially . . . [add names from notebook]) and those we now name aloud or in our hearts [leave time] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lector Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain Medieval German
some music by Finn Videro and Jan Bender

THE PRESENTATION

All stand as able.

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

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, Creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant adds a proper preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

All

S-125

**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. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People **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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-155

Gerald R. Near

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.

If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.

COMMUNION

We Walk by Faith

McFarland/Alford
Choir

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:
 Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

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:
 Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

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:
 Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray...

All Almighty and everliving God, 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 for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE SENDING HYMN H-193 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright PUER NOBIS

That Easter day with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light,
 when, to their longing eyes restored, the Apostles saw their risen Lord.

His risen flesh with radiance glowed; his wounded hands and feet he showed;
 those scars their solemn witness gave that Christ was risen from the grave.

O Jesus, King of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess
 that we may give thee all our days the willing tribute of our praise.

O Lord of all, with us abide in this our joyful Eastertide;
 from every weapon death can wield thine own redeemed for ever shield.

All praise, O risen Lord, we give to thee, who, dead, again dost live;
to God the Father equal praise, and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY

Recessional on Two Easter Hymns

René Quignard
(1887-1978)

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Kathleen Walter
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Pat Cates
Torch/Chalicists	Peter Brotherhood & Laurie Toohey
Lectors	Maureen Belote & Ryan Stollenmeir
Prayers of the People	Carolyn Hughes
Ushers	Jim & Mary Ratliff, Alan Mackay, Jackson Bond
Building & Grounds	Pat Cates
Welcome Table	Carol Beauchamp, Hilda Myers, Mary Jane Zimbardi

Prayers are requested for:

The Week of Mar 31 – Gerry B, Butch N, Marc W, Mike T, Gene B, Mandville P, Mariann T, Barbara C, Dustin B, Arlene H, Tammy, Bill G, Baby Miller, Dan, Jen, Dylan, Karen T, Jason C, Kipling, Suzanne D, Stan, Louise, Sherry A, Heather S, Bonnie L, Pedro G, Gloria L, Maria M, Colette S, Nick V, Bill V & family, Milly L, Bob S, Oleana & family, Yvonne, Bob, Maggie, Steve, Lynne M. Jerry O, Kirk M, Sherry, Marc J, Christopher J, Emme

Celebrations this week: Birthdays – Nancy Cerwin, Dave Mitchell, Joe Lombardo, Tammi Wrest, Stephanie Sarkis, Mary Ann Wigmore

Anniversaries – Bill & Mary Lasko

Announcements

Rector's Discretionary Fund: All loose offerings given the first week each month are earmarked to assist individuals and families in the Dunedin and Clearwater area in affording utility costs. Please contact the office or visit cogsdunedin.com/rectors-discretionary-fund for more information.

Fish Fry Fundraiser: COGS will hold a Fish Fry Dinner on Friday, April 12 from 5:00PM – 8:00PM. Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased after Sunday services or through Realm.

Undie Sunday: Donations to Clothes to Kids will be blessed on April 14. Look for tubs in Kirk Hall and North Narthex.

Craft & Quilt Sale: Craft sale on Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21, 9:00AM – 3:00PM.

Quilt Raffle: Support Pack-A-Sack with your ticket purchase. Winners will be drawn on Sunday, April 21.