



# The Holy Eucharist

## The Second Sunday of Easter

### April 12, 2026

Welcome! If you are new to St. Martin's please drop us a line to let us know a little more about you and your household so we can find ways to include you in our life together.

We hope this service of worship will be a source of strength and inspiration for your spiritual journey.

[CLICK HERE OR USE THE QR CODE TO DROP US A LINE](#)



#### CHORAL PRELUDE

*Sweet Redeemer*

Angrisano / Hart

#### HYMN 208

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

Victory

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

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

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
\*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from  
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly  
3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our  
4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his  
5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*



Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt.

Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. Willam Henry Monk (1826-1889)

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**  
*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. **Amen.**

**GLORIA S 280**

*Gloria in excelsis*

Powell

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Page 224, Book of Common Prayer

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 READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**

Acts 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.'  
This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

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

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in / you; \*  
 I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,  
 my good above all / other."  
 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the / land, \*  
 upon those who are noble among the / people.  
 3 But those who run after other / gods \*  
 shall have their troubles multi/plied.  
 4 Their libations of blood I will not / offer, \*  
 nor take the names of their gods upon my / lips.  
 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my / cup; \*  
 it is you who uphold my / lot.  
 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant / land; \*  
 indeed, I have a goodly / heritage.  
 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me / counsel; \*  
 my heart teaches me, night after / night.  
 8 I have set the Lord always be/fore me; \*  
 because he is at my right hand I shall not / fall.  
 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit re/joices; \*  
 my body also shall rest in / hope.  
 10 For you will not abandon me to the / grave, \*  
 nor let your holy one see the / Pit.  
 11 You will show me the path of / life; \*  
 in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
 and in your right hand are pleasures for ever/more.

**A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER**

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

**HYMN 209**

*We walk by faith and not by sight*

St. Botolph

1 We walk by faith, and not by sight; no  
 2 We may not touch his hands and side, nor  
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and  
 4 that, when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from him who spoke as  
 fol - low where he trod; but in his prom - ise  
 may our faith a - bound, to call on you when  
 realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you  
  
 none e'er spoke; but we be - lieve him near.  
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
 you are near, and seek where you are found:  
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871), alt. Music: *St. Botolph*, Gordon Slater (1896-1979) Copyright © Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

**THE HOLY 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**

**SERMON**

The Rev. Alan D. Bentrup

**RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS**

Page 304, Book of Common Prayer

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?  
*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
*People* **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.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
*People* **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.**

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread,  
and in the prayers?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return  
to the Lord?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every  
human being?  
*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Deacon or other leader*

Let us pray for the Church, and the world.

O Risen Lord, we pray that the Church may boldly proclaim your gospel of grace and love. We pray especially for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola, Holy Family, Lord of the Streets, and Palmer Memorial in Houston, and 121 Community Church.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Risen Lord, we pray for our nation and for all in authority, especially Donald our President; Greg our Governor; Shawn, Armin, and Mattie, and all our local leaders; grant them discernment, integrity, and a spirit of mercy and justice.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Risen Lord, who has triumphed over evil, may your resurrected hope overcome despair, bring reconciliation among nations, and foster peace around the world.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Risen Lord, we pray for our local community; may your love bring unity, compassion, and a renewal of spirit in every neighborhood. We pray for Friendship Elementary, Garfield High, and George Ranch High.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Risen Lord, we pray for all who suffer and face trials, especially those we now name. May your resurrecting power restore hope, mend broken spirits, and bring relief to every affliction.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

O Risen Lord, who conquered the darkness of death, we pray for all who have died, especially Ron, and those we now name that at the last we may be raised with them into the fullness of life you promise through Jesus.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*After the prayers, the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

**THE PEACE**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** *Jesus lives, Alleluia! Amen.* Greene

**OFFERTORY**

*Please take a few moments to offer yourself - your time, your talents, your gifts, and your service to God with a prayer that your offering may be pleasing in God's sight, spread God's love, and make a difference in God's world. You may text 817-270-6880 with an amount + GENERAL or PLEDGE to give or you may scan this QR code to give online, or [click HERE](#).*



**OFFERTORY HYMN 206** *Alleluia! O sons and daughters, let us sing!* O filii et filiae

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

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

1 O sons and daught - ers, let us sing!  
2 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear;  
3 When Thom - as first the tid - ings heard,  
4 "My pierc - ed side, O Thom - as, see;  
5 No long - er Thom - as then de - nied,  
6 How blest are they who have not seen,



1 The King of heaven, the glorious King,  
 2 a - midst them came their Lord most dear,  
 3 how they had seen the ris - en Lord,  
 4 my hands, my feet, I show to thee;  
 5 he saw the feet, the hands, the side;  
 6 and yet whose faith has con - stant been,



1 o'er death and hell rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 and said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 he doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 6 for they e - ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]



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

Words: Att. Jean Tisserand (15th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866). Music: *O filii et filiae*, melody from *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noëls*, 1623; acc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

**HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION 380 ST. 3**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

Page 361 Book of Common Prayer

*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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:

*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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

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 he 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:

**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. **AMEN.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has 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**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

**FRACTION ANTHEM S 154**

*Christ our Passover*

Hurd

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

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.



1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;  
 3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need  
 4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;



here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;  
 an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;  
 mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.



here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
 here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
 Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;



and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.  
 here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
 my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.  
 thy Blood, thy right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Music: Nyack, Warren Swenson (b. 1937) Copyright ©1970 Warren Swenson. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

*Sing praise to Christ*

Bach

**SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

*Eucharistic Visitors present themselves at the Altar to receive the Sacrament to take to those who are prevented from attending in person. The Celebrant then says,*

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

*The People respond,*

**We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

*Eucharistic Visitors remain until the Altar Party retires, then leave for their visits.*

**THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant and People together standing*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 192

*This Joyful Eastertide*

Vrcuehten

*Unison or harmony*



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
 2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the  
 3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son



sor - row! My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath  
 riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my  
 slum - ber, till trump from east to west shall



sprung to life this mor - row.  
 pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was  
 wake the dead in num - ber.

*Refrain*



slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son, our faith had been in



vain; but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -



ris - en, a - ris - en.

Words: George R. Woodward (1848-1934), alt., Copyright © by permission of A.R. Mowbray & Co. Ltd. All rights reserved. Used with permission.  
 Music: *Vruechten*, melody from *Psalmen*, 1685, harm. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Alleluia. Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

*Organ Concerto #11: Minuet in Gm*

Handel

## **Our Staff**

The Rev. Alan Bentrup, Rector  
alan.bentrup@stmartininthefields.org

The Rev. Ayo Omoniyi, Deacon  
ayo.omoniyi@stmartininthefields.org

The Rev. Mark Odieny, Priest Assitant  
markodieny@gmail.com

Liza Goodner, Director of Children & Family Ministries  
liza.goodner@stmartininthefields.org

Bob Duquesnel, Organist & Choir Master  
bob.duquesnel@stmartininthefields.org

Sue Mitchell, Financial Manager  
sue.mitchell@stmartininthefields.org

Anika Rinker, Parish Administrator  
stmartin@stmartininthefields.org

Carlie Briggs, Senior Warden  
carlie.briggs@icloud.com

**More ways to connect!**  
**Just click on the links for more information**

**Want to stay informed about all our news & events?**  
**[Subscribe to our weekly email!](#)**

**Or visit our website anytime:**  
**[stmartininthefields.org](http://stmartininthefields.org)**



**St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church**  
**223 South Pearson Lane • P.O. Box 1149 (76244)**  
**Keller, Texas 76248**  
**Ph) 817•431•2396**  
**Txt) 682•338•4485**