

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two, with Confirmation April 24, 2022 11:15 a.m.

Welcome to St. Mark's!

Welcome to St. Mark's! We're so glad you're here. Our worship follows a similar pattern each week—it always includes readings from Scripture, lots of prayer, songs of praise, and most centrally, a meal we eat together called Eucharist. We invite you to participate to the extent you feel comfortable. If you're new to this kind of worship and flipping through the bulletin feels overwhelming, feel free to just set it down, relax, and join in worship by letting us say the words on your behalf.

New to St. Mark's? Use this QR code for a direct link to our Newcomer's page. Just open the photo app on your phone and hover over the image, which will take you to a link to complete an online visitor card!



Covid Protocols: Masks are optional for all St. Mark's activities. All St. Mark's staff and lay volunteers, including members of the choir, children's ministry volunteers, and adult leaders in the liturgy, have been fully vaccinated. By attending this service, you agree to the following: I have not tested positive or experienced any symptoms of COVID-19 in the previous 5 days. I also agree to inform the church office if I test positive for COVID-19 in the week that follows my attendance.

Children in Worship: We happily welcome your children to join us in worship today. We offer nursery care for crawling infants through age three. Older children are invited to stay and participate in the service with a children's bulletin or head to the Kids' Corner in the narthex for reading and quiet play (parental supervision required).

GATHERING

Prelude: Three Early English Voluntaries

The voluntary is a distinctly English organ piece performed before, during, or after a church service. The term, which derives from the word's definition "free, i.e. not forced to do something" was applied to musical improvisations and came to be attached to the organ music played following the service. These 18th-century valuntaries are free in style and consist of two or more contrasting polyphonic sections.

Introit: I Was Glad John Erickson

Processional Hymn: Alleluia! The Strife Is O'er

Hymn 208

Hymnologists trace the origins of this hymn to a book of compositions published in 1695. Hymnal editor Francis Pott (1831-1909) provided a translation of the original Latin, and it was included in the 19th-century British collection, Hymns Ancient and Modern. Paired with a tune by Palestrina (1525-1594), it has since become a staple of Eastertide.

Opening Acclamation

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Bishop The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Bishop 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. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading (the people sit)

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

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

Psalm 150

Laudate Dominum



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- 1 Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy <u>temple</u>; * praise him in the firmament of his <u>power</u>.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty <u>acts</u>; * praise him for his excellent <u>greatness</u>.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the <u>ram's-horn</u>; * praise him with lyre and <u>harp</u>.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and <u>dance</u>; * praise him with strings and <u>pipe</u>.
- 5 Praise him with resounding <u>cymbals</u>; * praise him with loud-clanging <u>cymbals</u>.
- 6 Let everything that has <u>breath</u> * praise the LORD. Halle-<u>lujah!</u>

The Second Reading

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

Sequence Hymn: We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

Hymn 209

This hymn by English theologian Henry Alford (1810-1871) was first published in his book Psalms & Hymns (1844). The beautiful music was written by English cathedral organist Gordon Archbold Slater (1896–1979). Slater's first significant appointment was at St. Botolph's Church in Lincolnshire, England, and this tune is named St. Botolph in honor of that parish.

The Gospel John 20:19-31

Priest 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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Kathryn Ryan

Confirmation Hymn: Holy Spirit, Lord of Love Hymn 349

CONFIRMATION

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Bishop The Candidate(s) will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

I present these persons who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these

persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and

renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, People creator of heaven and earth. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? Bishop I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. People 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.

Bishop
People

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
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.

Bishop Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop 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.

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

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 for the Candidates

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their

commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you have made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confirmation/Reception/Reaffirmation

The Peace

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Announcements

EATING TOGETHER

Offertory

Any undesignated offerings today will be given to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. Please make the check payable to "The Diocese of Texas" with the memo "Bishop Kai Ryan's Discretionary Fund."

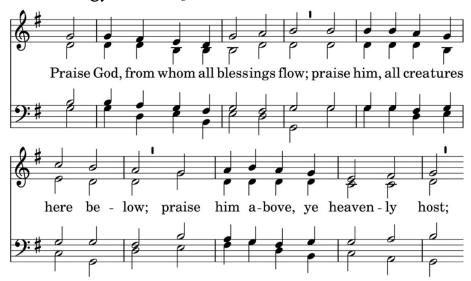
Offertory Anthem: This Joyful Eastertide

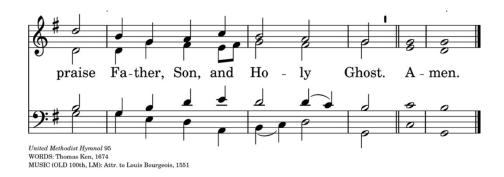
Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow. *Refrain: Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen.* Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river: Lord of all life, from ill my passing life deliver. *Refrain.* My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber, till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. *Refrain.*

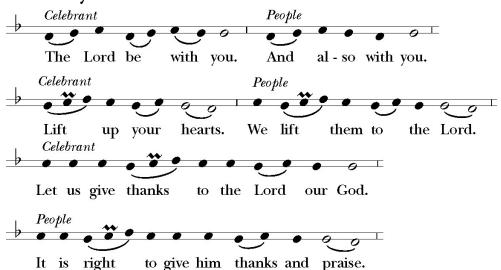
This anthem is an 1894 Easter carol. The words are by Anglican priest and hymnist George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848–1934), the tune is from a Dutch secular song (1624), and the harmonization for choir is by Charles Wood (1866–1926). Wood was an Irish composer and teacher; his students included Ralph Vaughan Williams at Cambridge and Herbert Howells at the Royal College of Music.

The Doxology (all standing)





Eucharistic Prayer B

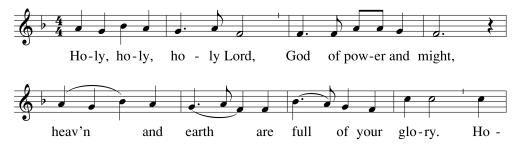


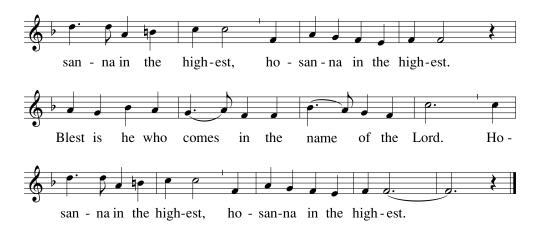
The Celebrant proceeds

... 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

A Community Mass





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The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

... 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

A - MEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

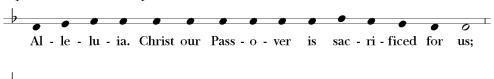
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

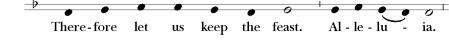
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

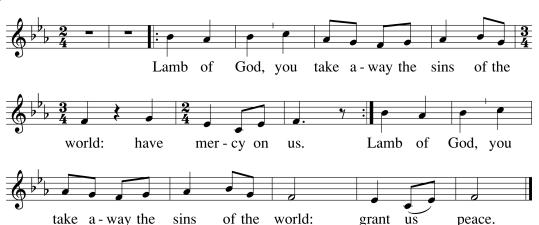
A period of silence is kept.





Agnus Dei

A Community Mass



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The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

Communion Hymns

Now the Green Blade Riseth

Hymn 204

Scottish minister John MacLeod Campbell Crum (1872-1958) wrote this text to be paired with the popular French carol melody Noël Nouvelet. This tune was also used by the famous French organ composer Marcel Dupré (1886-1971) for his Variations on a Noel (1922). Dupré's harmonization of the carol is what we will sing today.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

Hymn 178

In the summer of 1971, the author and composer of this hymn was (in his own words) "... praying and singing spontaneously, and (I) sang the song almost as it is today." Donald Fishel (b. 1950) wrote this song while studying flute performance at The University of Michigan School of Music.

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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.

BEING SENT

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: He Is Risen

Hymn 180

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895) was an Anglo-Irish hymn writer and poet. Though most famous for writing "All Things Bright and Beautiful" and "Once in Royal David's City," she wrote numerous hymns including this Easter text. The tune is by 17th-century German theologian and musician Joachim Neander (1650-1680).

The Dismissal

Priest Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude: Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! Healey Willan

Healey Willan (1880-1968) is often called the "Dean of Canadian Composers." From 1921 until his death he served as organist and music director at the Anglo-Catholic Church of St. Mary Magdalene in Toronto. Willan wrote this setting of Hymn 205 during a prolific period following his retirement from university teaching in 1950 in which he published over 100 works for the organ.

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The altar flowers are given by Rich and Carol Oppel, to honor with joy and gratitude our 55th wedding anniversary.

Announcements

The Sacraments: The Rev. Dr. Nathan Jennings, Father Zac, and Mother Mary are leading a multisession class on the Sacraments on Sundays at 10:00 am in Grace Chapel. This class will resume next Sunday, May 1st. Come learn about this central aspect of Episcopal life and worship. See Enews for details.

St. Mark's 101: Newcomers are invited to join Father Zac for a two-session St. Mark's 101 class starting next Sunday, May 1st, at 10:00 am, in the conference room. This class is designed to provide an introduction to St. Mark's – who we are, what we do, and how to get involved. Contact Father Zac to register.

Wednesday Evening Eucharist: Join us every Wednesday at 5:30 in Grace Chapel for a service of Eucharist. (Please note that dinner is not being served on Wednesdays.)

Opening Reception for *Marc Chagall and the Bible* Exhibit: Join us on Thursday, May 12, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, for a reception for the Chagall art exhibit. This reception is free and open to the public and will include hors d'oeuvres and drinks, and a short art talk. Etchings and lithographs by Marc Chagall (1887–1985) are currently hanging in the church and parish hall. Chagall is perhaps the foremost visual interpreter of the Bible in the 20th Century. His vision of the Old Testament combines his Jewish heritage and modern art giving us a rich display of symbol and imagination.

Family Fun Day: Saturday, May 7, from 4:00-6:00 pm, at Jester King Brewery (13187 Fitzhugh Road, Austin). Enjoy fellowship, craft beer, pizza or BBQ, and a goat experience. Visit www.jesterkingbrewery.com for pricing and additional information. Sponsored by the Women of St. Mark's.

The Being With Course: Perhaps you don't feel entirely comfortable in church, but you're interested in exploring big questions of meaning, God, life, and death with others who are curious. This course is made for you. It puts conversation first and seeks to create a safe, non-judgmental space to explore these questions together. It values the experience and perspective of all who attend and includes short teachings from a Christian perspective led by the St. Mark's clergy. The course is ten sessions and will start on Zoom toward the end of May. Email Fr. Zac at zac@stmarksaustin.org for details.

Camp Allen's Starry Nights Benefit: Camp Allen's annual benefit to support their scholarship fund will be held in Austin this year, on Thursday, May 5, at 6:30 pm, at County Line on the Lake (5204 Ranch Rd 2222, Austin 78731). The Very Rev. Cynthia Kittredge, Dean and President of the Seminary of the Southwest, will be honored. Buy your tickets at www.campallen.org/starry-nights.

Welcome Table is our mission partner for April!

- Volunteer for summer Freedom School program to help with reading, playground supervision, art, and more. Contact: hello@welcometableaustin.org
- Donate Freedom School supplies: Gift cards, art supplies, scissors, pens/pencils/glue and more!
- Make Mother's Day special with donations for their food pantry: Shampoo/ conditioner, lotion, body wash, hygiene items, soap.

Summer Volunteer Fair – Opportunities for individuals and families! Sign up at church on Sundays, April 24th and May 1st. Serve meals, teach classes, lead campers, garden, and more.

Ministers of the Service

Lectors: Phil Aboussie, Ginny Acker

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