

# The Second Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2022

10:00 a.m.

## The Holy Eucharist with Holy Baptism

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Hymn *Love divine, all loves excelling* The Hymnal 1982, 657

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to  
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,  
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788) Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

There is one Body and one Spirit;

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

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**One God and Father of all.**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you.**

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 Lessons

A reading from the Book of 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."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm – 118:14-29 *taken from St. Helena's Psalter*

God is my strength and my song \*  
and has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Most High has triumphed; \*  
the right hand of the Most High is exalted;  
the right hand of the Most High has triumphed!”

I shall not die, but live \*  
and declare the works of God.

God has punished me sorely, \*  
but did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to God.

“This is the gate of the Holy One; \*  
those who are righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is God’s doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Holy One has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosanna, O God, hosanna! \*  
O Holy One, send us now success.

Blest is the one who comes in the name of God; \*  
we bless you from the house of God.

God is the Holy One who has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

“You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you.”

Give thanks to God who is good; \*  
God’s mercy endures for ever.

A reading from the book of 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia Verse – *sung three times*

**Halle, Halle, Halle, 'luia** *repeat three times*

**Halleluia, Halleluia.**

Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

**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.

The Gospel of the Lord;  
**Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Zarina Suárez O'Hagin, Deacon

## The Baptism

*The Celebrant says*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*The Parents and Godmother say*

I present ***Sofia Giulia*** to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godmother*

I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godmother*

I will, with God's help.

*The Celebrant continues*

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

**I do.**

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

**I do.**

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

**I do.**

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support **Sofia Giulia** in her life in Christ?

*The congregation says*

**We will.**

*The celebrant says*

Let us join with **Sofia Giulia**, her parents and Godmother who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**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.**

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.**

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

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

**I will, with God's help.**

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

**I will, with God's help.**

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

**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

**I will, with God's help.**

## **The Prayers of the Candidate**

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for **Sofia Giulia** who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Rebecca Kennedy de Lorenzini, mother of Sofia, leads the following petitions*

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

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open her to your grace and truth.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Fill Sofia with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Keep Sofia in the faith and communion of your holy catholic church.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach Sofia to love others in the power of the Spirit.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Send Sofia into the world in witness to your Love.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Bring Sofia to the fullness of your peace and glory.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look

for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

### **Blessing of Holy Water**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection.

Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

***Sofia Giulia*** I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the  
Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

***Sofia Giulia*** you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and  
marked as Christ's own for ever. ***Amen.***

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit  
you have bestowed upon this your servants the forgiveness of sin,  
and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord,  
in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart,  
the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love  
you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith  
of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with  
us in his eternal priesthood.**

## **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The clergy and people exchange greetings one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Hymn** *We walk by faith, and not by sight* The Hymnal 1982, 209

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.

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## The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

The first system of music features a vocal line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/8. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, and then a half note Bb4. A slur covers the next two measures: a quarter note G4 and a quarter note F4. The bass line starts with a whole rest, followed by a quarter note G2, and then a half note F2. The system concludes with a half note G2 and a quarter note F2.

pow'r and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

The second system continues the vocal and bass lines. The vocal line has a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note Bb4. A slur covers the next two measures: a quarter note G4 and a quarter note F4. The bass line has a half note G2 and a quarter note F2. The system concludes with a half note G2 and a quarter note F2.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

The third system continues the vocal and bass lines. The vocal line has a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note Bb4. A slur covers the next two measures: a quarter note G4 and a quarter note F4. The bass line has a half note G2 and a quarter note F2. The system concludes with a half note G2 and a quarter note F2.

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fourth system concludes the vocal and bass lines. The vocal line has a half note G4, a quarter note A4, and a half note Bb4. A slur covers the next two measures: a quarter note G4 and a quarter note F4. The bass line has a half note G2 and a quarter note F2. The system concludes with a half note G2 and a quarter note F2.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,  
**We remember his death,**  
**We proclaim his resurrection,**  
**We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son

in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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.**

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 celebrant breaks the consecrated bread, then says,*  
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*No matter where your faith journey has taken you, or where it may be leading you today, all are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's in the Mountains Episcopal Church. Please hold out your hands to receive the bread. The chalice will not be shared at this time. If you would like to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest.*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*Please be seated for the*

**The Announcements**

## **The Blessing**

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

**Hymn** *This joyful Eastertide* The Hymnal 1982, 192

*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

*Refrain*

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

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo and mood are indicated as 'Unison or harmony'. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next three lines. The third system contains the final three lines, which are marked as the 'Refrain'. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the bass clef, providing harmonic support for the vocal melody.

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.

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## The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God, Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Participants in today's service

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Richard R. Swanson, Rector

Preacher: The Rev. Zarina Suárez O'Hagin

Deacon: The Rev. Zarina Suárez O'Hagin

Musician: James Grace

Lectors: Janet Patching

Intercessor: Rebecca Kennedy de Lorenzini

Acolyte: David Small

Greeter: Terry Whelan

Coffee Hour: Deb Clark, Barbara Cunningham, Tana Lilienthal

Counter: Mary Stiles and Terry Whelan

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**May you have a blessed Eastertide.**

**Alleluia, Christ is risen!**

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