

**ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
ROSEVILLE, MN



**EASTER**  
Year B  
**April 4, 2021**  
**10:30 AM**

## Welcome to Worship with St. Christopher's!

**Wednesday service** at 12:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Next Sunday's readings:** Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1—2:2; John 20:19-31. (*Easter 2, Year B.*)

**Audio podcasts of sermons and recorded Sunday services** are available online at our website. Please click on Liturgy & Worship, and then Sermons.

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## The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

*Prelude*

*O filii et filiae*

—Volkmar Leisring (1588-1637)

*A bell sounds. All stand.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

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

### Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

*Said by 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.**

### Gloria

*Said by all:*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's 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 God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## The Lessons

### A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah [25:6-9]

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.**

**Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
"His mercy endures for ever."**

**The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.**

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

**"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

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

**The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.**

**Open for me the gates of righteousness; \***  
**I will enter them;**  
**I will offer thanks to the Lord.**  
**“This is the gate of the Lord; \***  
**he who is 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 the Lord’s doing, \***  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**  
**On this day the Lord has acted; \***  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

### **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles [10:34-43]**

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand.*

### **The Gospel—Mark 16:1-8**

*Clergy:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another,

“Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.

*Clergy:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people sit.*

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Randy W. Johnson

*The people stand.*

**The 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.**

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Form 6, BCP p. 392*

*Intercessor:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**All: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Craig our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence.*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

*Celebrant:* Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for the victory over death of your Son Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this holy day, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live for ever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Confession is omitted at Easter.*

*The people stand*

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The people sit.*

## **Greetings & Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

*Please stand as you are able as the gifts are brought forward.*

## **Offertory Music**

—Edouard Toppenberg (Aruba)

*Hallelu, let the people all sing!*

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 367

*The people stand.*

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

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 [ \_\_\_\_\_ 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.**

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

### **The Invitation**

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### **Communion Music**

*Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness  
Jesu, joy of man's desiring*

—G.F. Handel (1685-1759)  
—J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

### **Post Communion Prayer**

**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**

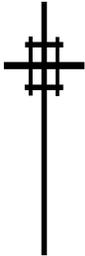
### **The Blessing and Dismissal**

*The Clergy says the blessing and dismissal.*

*The People respond:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

### **Postlude**

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	<b>THE <i>CHRISTOGRAM</i></b> News & Announcements for the Week of April 4, 2021
Meet Christ Be Christ	

### **Faith Formation**

**Adult Formation/Video Coffee Hour Via Zoom:** NO Zoom on Easter Sunday; changing to 9:15 AM beginning April 11.

### **In Person Worship**

In order to follow all of our necessary safety protocols, please go to the front page of our website ([www. Stchristophers-mn.org](http://www.Stchristophers-mn.org)) to sign up. If signing up online is difficult, you may call the office to be registered.

### **Keystone Drop Off!!**

If your household participated in collecting food/toiletries items as part of our Lenten Program, you are invited to bring your donations during Easter services. If you still want to pick up a few key items on the calendar posted on our website, or make a monetary donation, we'd love your contribution! Write checks to Keystone. If you will not be attending Easter services in person, you can drop donations at the Keystone collection chest during building hours anytime during the first week of Easter. Monetary donations can be brought to the Parish Office.

### **Alleluia! Let's Play Bingo!**

Blues Buster Bingo has been a Silent Auction luncheon event for the last several years. Conquer cabin fever by gathering on Zoom to play some bingo and socialize—and maybe even win a prize! This will be a family friendly event with time for bingo, prizes and socializing. All are welcome! Tuesday, April 6, 2021 from 1-2:30pm. Call or email Marion Hunner to register to get the Zoom link and your Bingo Card(s). Bingo cards can be provided via email or pickup in the office.

## ***Parish Prayer List***

***Please pray for our Members and Friends who are in Acute need:***

*Dave Stewart*

***Please pray for our Shut Ins and Members with ongoing needs:***

Mary Barkley	Pamela Case	Dave Stewart
Jerry Baxter	Harold Danley	Barb Swanson
Jean Brandt	Michael Elsen	Jean Swesey
Dan Brown	Williametta Hall	Evelynne Thompson
Dennis Buechler	Don Horton	Joe Westenfield
Ruth Buechler	Dave Ingram	Marliss Westenfield
Betty Carr	Ken Ives	Barb Wilkinson
	Marcia Rockwood	Roberta Williams

***Please pray for our family and friends with ongoing needs:***

Kris & Robin Werner, Anne, Mary Henne, Bonnie, Rev. Peter Brown, Barbara Brown, Brian Hogan, Carol Haskin, Allison & Beth, Dan B., Bonnie, Lois Purrington, Gretchen Glueck, Savannah Rausch, Jerry, Renee Forst, Jack Cork, Olivia McLoughlin, Elizabeth Bergum, Steve & Pam, Kirk Ingram, Amy, Marmie, Ann, Russ Amling, Sue Hitchcock, Jim VonDeLinde, Brenda Beard Conley, Conner Eischens, Merle Anderson, Jan Holte, Dave Waring, Sydney Eischens, Kit Corti, Russell Hitchcock, Nancy Kersten, Missy Peterson.

**Pray for all who have died.**

**In the Anglican cycle of prayer,** please pray for the Peace of Jerusalem.

**In the Episcopal Church in Minnesota Cycle of prayer,** please pray for the work of the House of Prayer and all spiritual directors serving in the Episcopal Church in Minnesota.

**Please pray** for children caught in crisis at our borders, and around the world. Please pray for our neighbors who are refugees and immigrants. Please pray for our President, Vice President, and the Congress of the United States. Please pray for the victims of the Coronavirus, and for the caregivers and first responders who care for them. Please pray for world peace, and justice for all people.

**Please pray** also for our enemies and for those who wish us harm.

**In Thanksgiving:** we give thanks for the ministries of our members as they continue to live as the Church away from our building.

**We remember** those who celebrate Birthdays and Anniversaries this week:

- 5 Karen Hartman
- 8 Paul Bauer, Rick Darnell, Nancy Foster, Christine Hennessey
- 9 Ann DePaolis Jones, Ruby Harkcom
- 9 *Cheryl Bailey & Dan Humes*



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