

Holy Trinity Church April 11, 2021

Opening hymn:

CP # 231 **That Eastertide with Joy Was Bright** verses 1 and 4

1. That Eastertide with joy was bright;
The sun shone out with fairer light,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
When, to their longing eyes restored,
The apostles saw their risen Lord.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

4. Jesus, the king of gentleness,
Do thou thyself our hearts possess,
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
That we may give you all our days
The tribute of our grateful praise.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia , al - le - lu - ia!

Welcome and Children Time

Welcome online friends please share

The Penitential Rite (BAS pg.45-46)

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People May he fill our hearts with joy.

Invitation

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Confession

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant Lord, open our lips, (BAS pg.47)

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite Psalm 95.1 - 7

ALL: Come, let us sing to the Lord;* let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God,* and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth,* and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his for he made it,* and his hands have moulded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,* and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.* Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading of PSALM 133

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, when brethren live together in unity!

It is like fine oil upon the head that runs down upon the beard,

Upon the beard of Aaron, and runs down upon the collar of his robe. **How good it for all is to live together in unity.**

It is like the dew of Hermon that falls upon the hills of Zion.

For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: life for evermore.

How good it for all is to live together in unity.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

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.

1 JOHN
1:1-2:2

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual solo: Jessica Hulan

The Gospel Reading

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

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. JOHN 20:19-31

Reader: The Gospel of Christ
People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (BAS pg.52)

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

Offertory Hymn

cp # 565 **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah** verses 1 and 3

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
 Pilgrim through this barren land.
 I am weak, but thou art mighty;
 Hold me with thy powerful hand.
 Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
 Feed me till I want no more,
 Feed me till I want no more.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
 Bid my anxious fears subside;
 Death of death, and hell's destruction,
 Land me safe on Canaan's side:
 Songs of praises, songs of praises,
 I will ever give to thee,
 I will ever give to thee.

Prayer over the Offering: All things come of thee....

The Prayers of the People

(In joy and hope let us pray to the source of all life, saying, “**Hear us, Lord of glory!**”)

That our risen Saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory! That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That by his power wars and famine may cease through all the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened, let us pray to the Lord.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. **Hear us, Lord of glory!**

Collect of the Day

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lords Prayer (BAS pg.54)

Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing Thanks to our online friends for joining us today

Closing Hymn:

CP # 238 **God's Love Bursts into Bloom** verses 1 and 3

1. God's love bursts into bloom deep in the dark's lament,
And fills a startled tomb with lively, gracious scent;
The stone gives way, hell's head is bruised
And dawn reveals a grave unused.

3. Christ kicks down death's grim door and lets us prisoners out
The sick, the blind, the poor we hear the paschal shout:
Because I live, you all shall be
God's guests at heaven's high feast with me.