

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church
Atlanta, Georgia



The Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

The Holy Eucharist

Streaming on Facebook Live at 10 A.M.

Prelude

"This Joyful Eastertide"

Psalmen, 1685

John Morgan, soloist

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
 *2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

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

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Collect for Purity *said by the 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.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect *said by all*

Alpha and Omega, our beginning and our end; you break through the locks of gated communities and hardened hearts: accept our doubts, heal our desire for certainty, and by your Spirit's gentle touch, make us a people forgiven and forgiving; through Jesus Christ, the Giver of Peace. Amen

The First Lesson

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *spoken Ecce, quam bonum!*

Psalm 133

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when people 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.
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.

The Second Lesson

1 John 1:1—2:2

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, soloist

Refrain

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
 I want to look at Je-sus.
 I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right-cous-ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.
 show me the way to the fa-ther.
 shall know the joy of Je-sus.

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The

night and the day are both a-like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci-ty of God.

a tempo
 Shine in my heart, Lord Je-sus.

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, 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 Rev. Patricia Templeton

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

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, who with the Father
and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 III

Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, remembering especially our parishioner, **Tommy Hannah**, and **Allen Ekmark**, uncle of Heather Robertson.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others including our parishioners, **Whit Smith**, **Mary Jane Hannah**, **Rhea Hannah**, **Patrick Gaul**, **Pam Weed**, **Bob Wolfson**, **Susan Glenz-Pierce**, and **Sandi Maloney**.

Silence and concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Tune: *Madrid*, by Christian H. Bateman, 1813-1889, arr. Mark Hayes

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

All things come of you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you.

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.***

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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious God: 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.

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 all 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.

Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

And we pray with those who are not receiving communion today:

Faithful God,
in the wonder of your wisdom and love
you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels,
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.
Though we cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine,
We thank you that we have received the sacrament
of Christ's presence,
the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.
By the power of the Holy Spirit,
may we embody your desire
and be renewed for your service,
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread:

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People ***Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!***

The gifts of God for the people of God,
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed upon him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

Hymn at Communion 178

Jesus is Lord of all the earth
Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, soloist

Alleluia No. 1,

On following page

Prayer after Communion *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.

The Blessing

May the living God
remove the suffocating shroud
that lies upon our world.

May the risen Savior
remove the sting of death,
bringing all to life in him.

May the flowing Spirit
set us and all creation free
and seal our hearts with faith.

And may the blessing of God
be with you and those you love
this day and always.

Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, soloist

Descant

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

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the

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

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

1-4 *Final Ending*

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

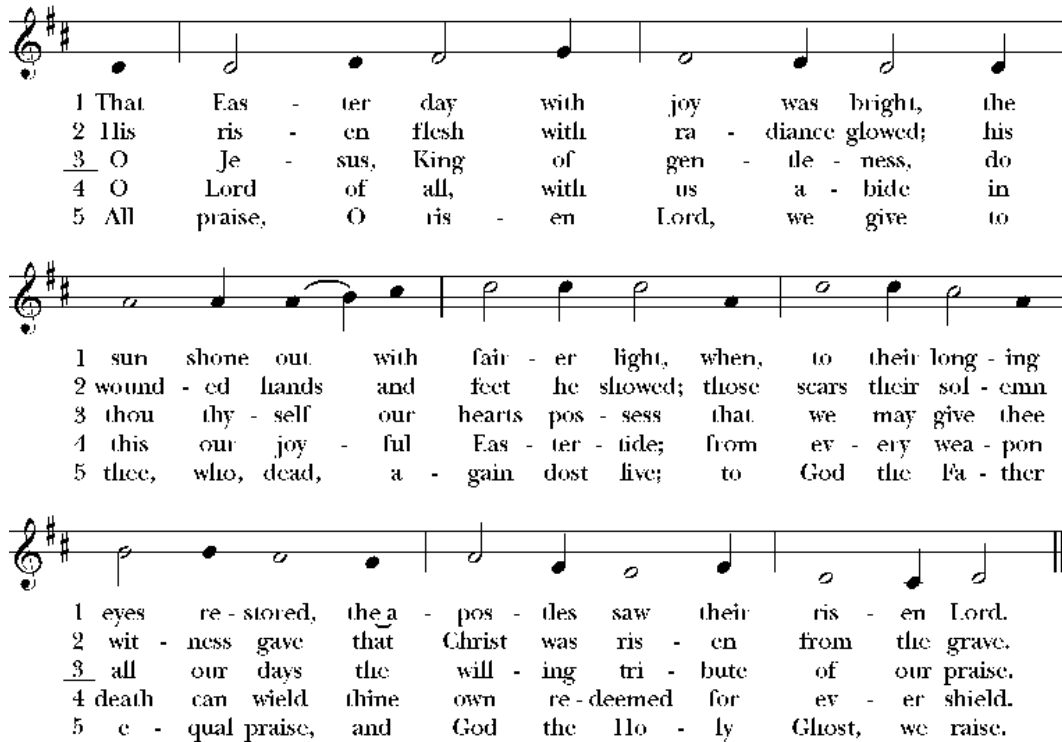
1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 1 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

Repeat Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -
 Now we shall live for ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.

John Morgan, soloist



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the
 2 llis ris - en flesh with ra - diance glowed; his
 3 O Je - sus, King of gen - tle - ness, do
 4 O Lord of all, with us a - bide in
 5 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

1 sun shone out with fair - er light, when, to their long - ing
 2 wound - ed hands and feet he showed; those scars their sol - emn
 3 thou thy - self our hearts pos - sess that we may give thee
 4 this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide; from ev - ery wea - pon
 5 thee, who, dead, a - gain dost live; to God the Fa - ther

1 eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
 2 wit - ness gave that Christ was ris - en from the grave.
 3 all our days the will - ing tri - bute of our praise.
 4 death can wield thine own re - deemed for ev - er shield.
 5 e - qual praise, and God the Ho - ly Ghost, we raise.

The Dismissal*Response* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!****Postlude**

"Thine is the Glory"

Tune: *Maccabeus*, by G.F. Handel (1685-1759, arr. Mark Hayes)

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are in memory of Tommy Hannah.

Happy Anniversary

Bessie & Hollis Holland April 16

Happy Birthday

Jonathan Edman April 12 **Winnie Lok** April 12

Grace Hauser April 14 **Lee Morris** April 16

Prayers

Parishioners: Whit Smith, Mary Jane Hannah, Rhea Hannah, Patrick Gaul, Pam Weed, Bob Wolfson, Susan Glenz-Pierce, and Sandi Maloney.

Family: Matt Stanhope, nephew of Martha O'Brien; **Reid Turner**, brother of Sarah Hancock; **Sandi & John Maloney**, parents of Heather Robertson; **Priscilla Williams**, sister of Bessie Holland; **Hilary Foster**, niece of Claudia Gimson; **Jessica Longino Carrillo**, family of Bob Longino; **Jeannette Davis**, sister-in-law of Priscilla Davis; **Pete Webb**, brother of Hulan Webb; **Vincent Lafitte; Capt. Richard Murphy**, nephew of Christine & Jim Bird; **Mary Jane Hobbs**, sister of Sara Thomas; **Barbara Martello**, niece of Mimi Gold; **Maude Harris**, cousin of Gloria Nelson; **Beth Zimmerman**, mother of Justin Camara; **Deni Omundson & Gary Dorsey, Sydney Cortez & Family**, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; **Tammy Hauser**, sister-in-law of Steve and Susan Hauser; **Ben Jennings**, nephew of Nancy Knight Latimore; **Arvis Morris**, mother, and **Katy Greenawalt**, sister of Lee Morris; **Deborah Smith**, wife of Leon Smith.

Friends: Emily Volin, (Heather Robertson); **Bob Adams**, (Tommy and Mary Jane Hannah); **Ellie Richards, Sherrel Howard**, (Mimi Gold); **Virginia Titshaw**, (Bob Longino); **Phil & Sharon Joseph & family**, (Sandra Dobbs); **Brad Johnson** (Priscilla Davis); **Sara Jane Gower** (Lindsey Reece); **Kirby Husbands**, (Hulan Webb); **The Bradshaw Family, Janet Cobb** (Claudia Gimson); **The Younus Family**, (Nancy & Jonathan Edman); **Christina & Francesco Ianni, Louise Delk, Pat Buffington, Frances Cortez**, (Rhea Hannah); **Benjamin Banas**, (Cathy Leake); **Marilyn McCroskey**, (Alan Toney); **Judy**, (David Abner); **Elaine Furman**, (Deborah Reece); **Cathy & Guy Frazee, Marty Rubin**, (Sallie Smith); **Lenay Horten, Gregory Olvey, Myrtle Alexander**, (Gloria Nelson); **Michellene Tipton, Jean & Thornton de Rosa, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard**, (Jeanne and Josh Taylor).

We give thanks for our parish community, especially **Harriett & Whit Smith; Sallie & Paul Smith, Michele & Tom Smither; and Virginia Skinner.**

And we give thanks for the safe delivery of **Ava Wu Dillon**, granddaughter of Nancy Dillon and **Theodore Riley Anthony Deprin**, grandson of Kristine Anderson and Hulan Webb. †

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially our parishioner, **Tommy Hannah**, and **Allen Ekmark**, uncle of Heather Robertson. †

I invite your prayers for health care workers on the front lines of battling the Coronavirus, especially **Deb Dee, John Lloyd, Lauren Gensler, Debbie Leake, Rhonda Leake, and Audra Smith.**

We invite you to use this prayer list for your personal prayers. St. Dunstan's Julian of Norwich chapter of The Daughters of the King prays daily for all on the prayer list.

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.

From The Book of Common Prayer, page 134.

Ministry Participants

Mark O'Connell – Lay Reader

Nancy Dillon – Flower Guild

Claudia Gimson & Cathy Leake – Altar Guild

Joseph Henry Monti – IT Streaming Support

Announcements

Sock Drive

Instead of a Maundy Thursday foot washing, which was not possible this year because of Covid, we will instead live out Jesus' commandment to love one another with a sock drive. Socks are the most frequently requested item at homeless shelters. Think about it. If you're on your feet almost all day, a good pair of socks means more comfort and fewer blisters. We will be collecting socks through Easter. Bring them by the church and if no one is here you can put them in the bins by the front door. Socks will go to the foot clinic sponsored by Church of the Common Ground downtown.

Food Pantry

We continue to collect food each week for the Sandy Springs food pantries. When you're at the store pick up a few non-perishable items and drop them by the church. The need is still great.

Family Promise

Family Promise is having a virtual fund-raising event on Thursday, April 29, at 7 p.m. Meals With Meaning will be an inspiring night as we hear from past families, current volunteers, and clergy from a few of our congregations. There will be multiple ways to make donations such as: an auction with great items/trips, and "wine wall" raffle....plus more! You can now check out auction details on the web site: www.mwm2021.givesmart.com . The event is free to attend, just register on the web site. Encourage all your friends and family to register for this FREE EVENT. For each person registered, the Family Promise Board members will donate \$1 to the organization. For each person who actually attends the event, an additional \$2 donation will be made!