

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church

Atlanta, Georgia



The Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

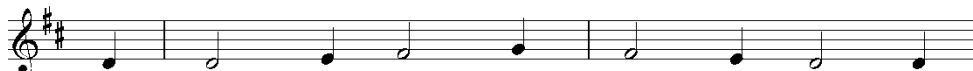
The Holy Eucharist

Streaming FaceBook Live at 10:45

Prelude

Preambulum, Fugue, and Toccata in F (BuxWV 161)

by Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)



1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright, the
 2 His 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.

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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.**

Gloria S.278

Glory to God

Mathias

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Together, 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 2:14a,22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm *Conserva me, Domine*

Psalm 16



Protect me, O God, for I take | refuge • in | you; *

I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord,
my | good • a - | bove • all | other.

All my delight is upon the godly that | are in • the | land, *
upon those who are | noble • a - | mong • the | people.

But those who run | after • other | gods *
shall | have • their | trou- bles | multiplied.

Their libations of blood I | will • not | offer, *
nor take the names of their | gods • u - | pon • my | lips.

O Lord, you are my | portion • and my | cup; *
it is | you who • up - | hold • my | lot.

My boundaries enclose a |plea-sant | land; *
indeed, I |have • a | good-ly| heritage.

I will bless the Lord who |gives • me | counsel; *
my heart | me • night | af-ter| night.

I have set the Lord al - |ways • be - | fore me; *
because you are at my | right hand • I | shall • not | fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my |spirit • re - | joices; *
my body also |shall | rest • in | hope.

For you will not abandon me | to • the | grave, *
nor let your |holy • one | see • the | pit.

You will show me the |path • of| life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your |right hand • are | pleasures • for | evermore.

Second Lesson

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

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 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.***

Sermon

The Reverend Colin Brown

The Creed

I believe in God, the Creator, the Almighty,
maker of a heaven and earth without borders or nations,
who created all people in the Divine image,
who led people from slavery to freedom
through exile and exodus.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made human,
showing us how to bring about God's kingdom here and now,
who suffered under the imperial power of Pontius Pilate,
was crucified by the state, died, and buried.
On the third day he rose again, opening for us the door to new life,
destroying the power of death.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races,
who proceeds from the Creator and the Son, unity in diversity, three in one.

I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church,
a communion of saints across countries and centuries.

I look for the coming of the Kingdom of God,
where our passport is love,
our bodies are resurrected and healed,
where the image of God in all of us is honored,
where we will not be strangers or guests
but lambs gathered safely home in the arms of the Good Shepherd.

AMEN

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

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 Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Rob our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially, **Lisa Wilson; Virginia Skinner; Priscilla Davis; Donna Thomas; Cathy Leake;** and **Mary Jane Hannah & Elizabeth Wong Mark** on their pilgrimage.

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 and our parish community, especially **Tif & Todd and Gavin Wilson; Bob Wolfson; Hanna Woodburn;** and **Elizabeth Wong Mark.**

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

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. We remember especially all those lost in the war in the Middle East.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant

O Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: Guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that your kingdom may be known on earth as it is in heaven. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

O Sons and Daughters (arr Alice Parker and Robert Shaw)

O sons and daughters, let us sing!

*The King of heav'n, the glorious King, O'er death today rose
Triumphing. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord,
He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*My pierced side, O Thomas, see: My hands, my feet, I show to thee;
Not faithless but believing be. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*No longer Thomas then denied, He saw the feet, the hands, the side:
Thou art my ford and God, he cried. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
 2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;
 3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
 4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - cous - ness;

here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;
 here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;
 an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;
 mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.

here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,
 here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,
 it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;
 Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;

and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.
 here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.
 my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.
 thy Blood, thy right - cous - ness, O Lord, my God.

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The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

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 sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is the one who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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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.

Fraction Anthem S.154

Christ our Passover

Hurd

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God.

The Communion of the People *All people are invited to receive Communion.*

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.
 4 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.

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Prayer after Communion *Celebrant and People*

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.

Easter Blessing

The blessing of God who creates life,
Be upon you as you celebrate life.

The blessing of God who restores life,
Be upon you as you seek new life.

The blessing of God, who sanctifies life,
Be upon you as you give life to others.

Amen.

Recessional Hymn 205

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

Gelobt sei Gott

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 Dismissal

Response Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Toccata on "O Filii et Filiae" (O Sons and Daughters)

by Lynnwood Farnham (1885-1930)

Happy Anniversary
Bessie & Hollis Holland April 16

Happy Birthday
Lee Morris April 16 Sara Thomas April 18

Prayer Requests

Parishioners: Lisa Wilson; Virginia Skinner; Priscilla Davis; Donna Thomas; Cathy Leake; and Mary Jane Hannah & Elizabeth Wong Mark on their pilgrimage.

Family: Jaymee Morris, daughter-in-law of Lee Morris; Rachel Monti, niece of Tricia Templeton; George Robinson, nephew of Hollis & Bessie Holland; Glenda Owens, grandmother of Lillian Amengual; Kristen Macys, Kathy Benedict, family of Andrea & Anil Weerakoon and Brenda Patten; Bryan Wilson, brother of Mary Jane Hannah; Terra Garrett, cousin of Cathleen Hackett; Jane Schneiderwind, sister of Mimi Gold; Cody Young, cousin of the Reece Family; Roswitha Moos, grandmother of Katharina McCawley; Tiffany Lucas, niece, of Vivian Siggers; Chris Ekmark, cousin of Heather Robertson; Carra & Vincent Lafitte, Larry & Sharon Mobley, Jack & Linda Mobley family of Daria Jones & Bruce Lafitte; Charlie Bunn, cousin of Tiffany Wilson; Aggie Whyte, Priscilla Williams, sisters of Bessie Holland; Oakley Family, cousins of Priscilla Davis; Mary Jane Hobbs, sister of Sara Thomas; Deni Omundson, Sydney Cortez & Family, relatives of Jeanne & Josh Taylor; Karen, sister of Steve Hauser; Jessica LeClaire, sister of Sara Thornton; Clare Richardson, sister-in-law of Penny France; Deborah Ellis-Williams, mother of Jackie O'Connell; Barbara Martello, niece of Mimi Gold.

Friends: Ellie Richards, Jennifer Pern, Sherrel Howard (Mimi Gold); Shehan Seneveratne, Rik Rasmussen (Anil & Andrea Patten-Weerakoon); Ellen Whitney (Claudia Gimson); Dena Horner (Bob Longino); Julie Fowkes, (Gwen McAlpine & Paul Zimmer); Wanda Arrowood, Carol Davis, Carolyn Timmons (Sandra & Joe Dobbs); Cookie Dennis; Kelsey Clark, Miriam & Santana Herrera, Cary Ralls & Mark Sillay, Patricia Woods, Walter Buchanan (Rhea Hannah); Able Mable Thomas (Lee Morris); Bob Adams (Mary Jane Hannah); Marilyn Reynolds (Bessie Holland); Tony Rizzuto (Daria Jones); Sara Corredor (Tiffany Wilson); Gay McNeely, John Ware (Suzanne Van de Mark); Lauren Courtney Robinson (Lindsey Reece); Neil, Emma, Addison Bonser (Brown family); Barry Mazor (Bob Wolfson); Loretta Roberts, Benjamin Banas (Cathy Leake); Bill Cobb, Sandy Jusak, Michellene Tipton, Joshua Dowd, Debbie Bogard, James Bogard (Jeanne & Josh Taylor); Carolyn Neely Holmes (Vivian Siggers); Madison Fucita & Family; Rose Faison, Mary Jane Graff, Anne Henry, Tim Embry (Priscilla Davis).

We give thanks for our parish especially Tif & Todd and Gavin Wilson; Bob Wolfson; Hanna Woodburn; and Elizabeth Wong Mark.

Ministry Schedule

	April 12th	April 19th
Vestry on Duty	Marshall Kress	Tom Wilson
Lay Reader: 8:30 am	Nancy Dillon	Bob Longino
Lay Reader: 10:45 am	Hanna Woodburn	Lynn Hood
Lector 1 st Lesson	Rhea Hannah	Linda Parrish
Lector 2 nd Lesson	Suzanne Johnson	
Ushers / Greeters	Alex Pierre	
Altar Guild	Nancy / Fina / Claudia	Marshall / Fina / Claudia
Flower Guild	Cathleen Hackett	Claudia Gimson

Announcements

Sunday, April 26th we will have only one service at 10 am followed by a Potluck Lunch. This will be our Annual Parish Meeting with a special presentation by Tom Wilson accompanied by our fabulous Choir.

Vestry 2025 - 2026

Susie Throop, Sr. Warden; Andrea Patten-Weerakoon, Jr. Warden;
Suzanne Johnson; Ralph Paulk; Sarah Hancock;
Marshall Kress; Jessica Peoples; Alexander Pierre; Tom Wilson

The Reverend Patricia Templeton, Rector

The Reverend Maggie Harney, Priest Associate

The Reverend Colin Brown, Priest Associate

Brian Parks, Director of Music

Claudia Gimson, Parish Administrator

Rhea Hannah, Volunteer Administrative Assistant



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