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# The Second Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017

10:00 AM



The Holy Eucharist, Rite II and Baptisms of  
Blythe Rhode Dwyer, Olivia Rachel Montero, and Evariste Juneau Rookard

Celebrant - The Reverend Canon Steven M. Roberts

Preacher - The Very Reverend David A. duPlantier, *Dean*

*It is the tradition of the Episcopal Church to maintain silence in the worship area so that people may pray. Please help us preserve an atmosphere of quiet reverence before worship begins, remembering to turn pagers and cell phones off; let the music of the opening voluntary quiet your thoughts as you prepare for worship.*

## The Word of God

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** - Christ ist erstanden, (*Christ is Arisen*), BWV 627 .....Johann Sebastian Bach

*When the bell sounds, please stand and sing.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** #212 - Awake, arise, lift up your voice.....*Richmond*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And Blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one Hope in God's call to us.

*Celebrant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People* One God and Father of all.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* 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 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.

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*The choir sings*

**PSALM 16** *Conserva me, Domine*

*Setting: Edward Cuthbert Bairstow*

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,  
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 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.

**THE SECOND LESSON** ~ 1 Peter 1:3-9

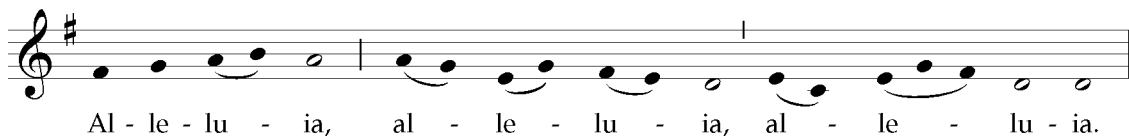
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the 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.

*Please stand and sing*

**ALLELUIA & VERSE**



- V. You believe me, Thomas, be cause you have seen me;  
blessed are they who have not seen and yet believe. [*Alleluia*]

**THE GOSPEL** ~ John 20:19-31

*Deacon* 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.

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON**

## Holy Baptism

*Children of all ages are invited to sit on the floor near the baptismal font.  
To preserve the holiness of the moment and the flow of the liturgy, we ask that no flash photographs be taken during the service.  
Please feel free to take photos after the service concludes.*

**PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES**

Prayer Book, page 301

**THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT PRAYER**

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**PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES**

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**THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

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**THE BAPTISM**

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**WELCOME OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED** (*said by all*)

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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**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

## The Liturgy of the Table

**ANTHEM**

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea. Mighty victim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light. Now no more can death appal, now no more the grave enthrall. Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Alleluia.

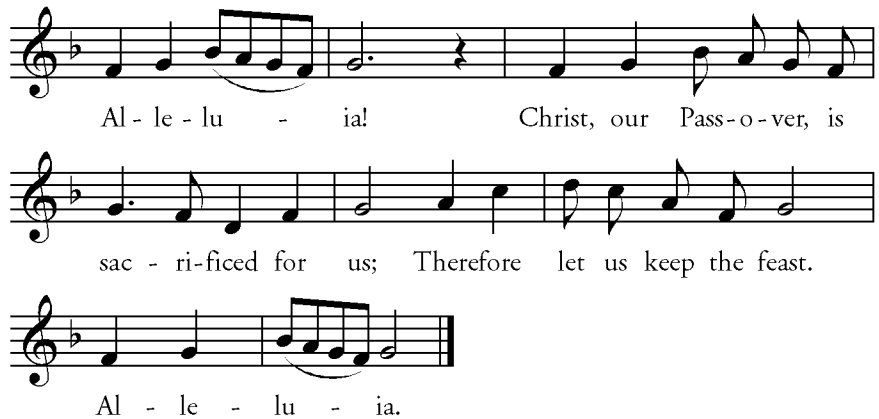
Music: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)  
Text: Exodus 15 and R. Campbell

*Please stand and sing*

**OFFERTORY HYMN #208** ~ The strife is o'er, the battle done ..... *Victory*



**THE FRACTION ANTHEM**



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

**THE INVITATION TO AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*All persons are welcome at the Lord's table; to receive Holy Communion or a Blessing. Baptized Christians of all ages and denomination may receive the elements. To receive a blessing rather than the elements, cross your arms over your chest as you kneel at the altar rail. To receive communion please hold out your crossed hands, open palms up, for the bread, and then help guide the chalice to your lips to receive the wine; cross your arms over your chest if you do not wish to receive the wine. Please blot lipstick before drinking from the chalice. You may also allow the chalice minister to dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue and it is permissible to receive only the bread if you like.*

*To receive an individual prayer of healing with anointing (Unction), go to the chapel after you receive Communion. Kneel as you are able at the altar rail in the chapel leaving some space between you and the next person for privacy. Return to the cathedral after the priest has prayed with you.*

**ANTHEM**

Most glorious Lord of life, that on this day  
 Didst make thy triumph over death and sin,  
 And having harrowed hell, didst bring away  
 Captivity thence captive, us to win.

And that thy love we weighing worthily,  
 May likewise love thee for the same again;  
 And for thy sake, that all like dear didst buy,  
 With love may one another entertain.

This joyous day, dear Lord, with joy begin,  
 And grant that we for whom thou diddest die,  
 Being with thy dear blood clean washed from sin,  
 May live for ever in felicity:

So let us love, dear Love, like as we ought;  
 Love is the lesson which the Lord us taught.

Music: William H. Harris (1883-1973)  
 Text: Edmund Spenser (1552-1599)

*Please join in singing*

**HYMN #209** ~ We walk by faith, and not by sight .....*St. Botolph*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Prayer Book, Page 365/366

**THE BLESSING**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN #194** ~ Jesus lives! thy terrors now can no longer, death, appall us .....*St. Albinus*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** ~ Prelude and Fugue on *Victimae Paschali Laudes*.....*Dom Paul Benoit*

*Please join us in Stuart Hall for coffee, refreshments, and conversation.*

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
 in thanksgiving for the marriage of Carrie Elizabeth Gormanous to Derek Stanton Sherwood.*

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Alleluia

From *Gradual Psalms for the RCL*, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated.

Mass (Sanctus, Christ our Passover)

Setting: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Fauré Requiem* will be sung by our choir combined with the choir of the Isidore Newman School this afternoon at 3:00 PM. Anthony Sears conducts, Canon Follette plays the organ. You will not want to miss this outstanding performance.

*The next opportunity for Baptism* falls on Sunday, June 4 (Pentecost) at the 10:00 Eucharist. Please speak with Canon Roberts as soon as possible.

*Gardeners* meet every third Saturday of the month from 8am to 10am to beautify and maintain the gardens. The next gathering is scheduled for May 20. Everyone is invited. Your help is appreciated.

*Please consider hosting Coffee Hour* after a 10:00 AM Sunday Eucharist. This is a vital part of our ministry. The sign-up sheet is in Stuart Hall.

*Donors needed for Altar Flowers in Cathedral and Chapel* - Please sign up today on the chart next to Stuart Hall, or for more information, contact Sandy Jackson - sditta@tulane.edu.

*If you or a family member is hospitalized or shut-in*, please contact the parish secretary during office hours or call one of us directly on our mobile phones at any time and leave a voice message if necessary. If the situation is not urgent you may also contact us via email (copying the parish secretary as well.) Please DO NOT use text messages, Facebook or any other instant message platform to communicate sensitive or urgent information, as their reliability is inconsistent.

### **Post- Easter Study Program: *One God, Shared Stories and Three Faiths***

Wednesdays, April 26, May 10, May 24, May 31 and June 7 at 1:30 PM (note: No class on May 3 and 17) and a Saturday session on May 27—10:00 AM to 3:00 PM with lunch. All sessions will be held in the Martin Room at the Cathedral.

Judaism, Christianity and Islam share the belief in the same one God and are all religions of 'the Book' (Old Testament-Tanak, New Testament and Quran), but nonetheless they have been competitive with each other—sometime violently. In this program we will look at what Judaism, Christianity and Judaism share, areas in which they compete and why they don't get along better than they do (and have for centuries).

Most of us have Bibles containing the Old and New Testaments; many of us don't have a Quran. I suggest ordering the Oxford World Classics Quran. On Amazon Prime it is currently listed at \$6.47. For the more adventurous, I recommend *The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary*, which is excellent, long (nearly 2,000 pages) and expensive (about \$50). Also valuable for an understanding of Islam is the *Hadith*, or the sayings of the prophet. Note that the Quran is what Allah dictated to the Prophet Mohammed, not the inspirations of the prophet that are found in the Hadith. There are a number of editions of the Hadith available from Amazon.

Most of us know quite a lot (some, a little) about Judaism and Christianity and little about Islam; I will recommend several books that seek to tell more about the inter-relations between and among the religions from their inceptions to the present time. The most accessible is Jon Levinson's, *Inheriting Abraham: The Legacy of the Patriarch in Judaism, Christianity & Islam*. More expansive and expensive are Robert Gregg's, *Shared Stories, Rival Tellings: Early Encounters of Jews, Christians and Muslims* (Oxford University Press) and F. E. Peters, *The Monotheists: Jews, Christians and Muslims in Conflict and Competition* (Princeton University Press, 2 volumes). Both are long, somewhat difficult and expensive.

The more, the merrier—so don't be shy to invite your friends to join us!



## April 23, 2017 – Easter 2 (A): The Feast of St. Catherine of Siena

On April 29, The Episcopal Church celebrates the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena, a fourteenth-century mystic and spiritual writer.

Born in 1347, Caterina Benincasa was the youngest of 25 children born to a wealthy cloth dyer of Siena. According to *Holy Women, Holy Men* (Church Publishing, 2010), at six years old, she had a vision that would determine her life's work. While walking along a road to her home, she looked upward and "beheld our Lord seated in glory with St. Peter, St. Paul, and St. John." In this vision, she would later report, Jesus blessed her.



"St. Catherine of Siena" c. 1500-1699, oil on copper. Brooklyn Museum, New York.

After this vision, Catherine committed herself to a life of prayer, meditation, writing, and worship. Her family, desiring her to behave like her contemporaries, attempted to have her married to her sister's widower. Refusing, she cut off her hair (according to *Holy Women, Holy Men*, this was the chief symbol of her beauty) and instead joined the Third Order of the Dominicans. Here, she would be afforded the opportunity to serve the poor and convert sinners, without living in a monastery (*An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church: A User Friendly Reference for Episcopalians*, 2000).

Throughout her career, Catherine was closely associated with serving those on the fringes of society: those afflicted with the Black Plague, prisoners condemned to death, and the desperately poor of Siena and Rome. At the same time, and possibly because of this work, she was well-regarded by the elite of her time, arbitrating feuds and attempting to end the church schism caused by the dueling popes at Rome and Avignon.

A prolific writer, Catherine's greatest work is undoubtedly *The Dialogue of Divine Providence*, based on her vision of a soul rising up to meet God. Reflecting on the mystery of the Trinity, she wrote, "You, eternal Trinity, are a deep sea. The more I enter you, the more I discover, and the more I discover, the more I seek you" (*Dialogue 167*). She would go on to say to her readers, "You are rewarded not according to your work or your time, but according to the measure of your love" (*Dialogue 165*). One of her best-known quotations, as translated by the Rt. Rev. Richard Chartres, Bishop Emeritus of London, is remembered as "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!"

Catherine died in Rome on April 29, 1380, at the age of 33. She was canonized in 1461.

### *Collect for Catherine of Siena*

"Everlasting God, you so kindled the flame of holy love in the heart of blessed Catherine of Siena, as she meditated on the passion of your Son our Savior, that she devoted her life to the poor and the sick, and to the peace and unity of the Church: Grant that we also may share in the mystery of Christ's death, and rejoice in the revelation of his glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen" ("Holy Women, Holy Men," p. 351).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SUNDAY

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)  
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour  
3:00 PM Concert: Fauré Requiem  
6:00 PM Real Presence

### MONDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist  
1:00 PM Book Club (Advent House)  
5:00 PM Bodytime Bootcamp  
5:30 PM Yoga (Cathedral)

### TUESDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp  
5:30 PM CODE Conference Eucharist (Chapel)  
6:45 PM Seekers Book Study (Advent House)

### WEDNESDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
1:00 PM Education for Ministry (EfM)  
1:30 PM Canon Lowry's Class  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

12:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (*Women Only*)  
12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
5:30 PM Bodytime Bootcamp

### FRIDAY

12:15 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

### SATURDAY

9:30 PM The Holy Eucharist (Chapel)  
9:30 AM Centering Prayer (Advent House)  
10:00 AM Eracism (Westfeldt Room)

### SUNDAY

8:00 AM The Holy Eucharist (1928 Prayer Book)  
10:00 AM The Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Sung)  
11:15 AM Coffee Hour  
6:00 PM Real Presence

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