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## Confirmation Sunday

April 24, 2022  
10:00 am

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton  
The Rev. Mark Delcuze, Rector  
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music  
Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

## The Word of God

**Prelude** "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" arr. L. Calkins

**Welcome** The Rev. Mark S. Delcuze

**Introit** "Shall All Be Made Alive" Wagner

Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory.  
 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ.  
 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ,  
 shall all be made alive! (*1 Corinthians 15:57, 22*)

**+Processional Hymn** The strife is o'er, the battle done **vss. 1, 2, 4, & 5**

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

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

*Ped.*

|    |   |                    |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1  | The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done,     | the vic - to -     |
| 2  | The powers of death have done their worst,  | but Christ their   |
| *3 | The three sad days are quick - ly sped,     | he ris - es        |
| 4  | He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell,     | the bars from      |
| 5  | Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, | from death's dread |

  

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|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | ry of life is won;             | the song of tri - umph  |
| 2 | le - gions hath dis - persed;  | let shout of ho - ly    |
| 3 | glo - rious from the dead;     | all glo - ry to our     |
| 4 | heaven's high por - tals fell; | let hymns of praise his |
| 5 | sting thy serv - ants free,    | that we may live and    |

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*

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

*Ped.*

## +Greeting

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Bishop then continues*

*People*  
*Bishop*  
*People*

There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
 One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**

*Bishop*  
*People*  
*Bishop*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 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.**

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## The Psalm

Psalm 150

*Read responsively by verse*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 **Praise him for his mighty acts; \***  
**praise him for his excellent greatness.**
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 **Praise him with timbrel and dance; \***  
**praise him with strings and pipe.**
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 **Let everything that has breath \***  
**praise the Lord. Hallelujah!**

# The Epistle

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God**

## Sequence Hymn

We walk by faith and not by sight

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.

**+The Holy Gospel**

John 20:19-31

*Please turn to face the Celebrant*

*Celebrant* 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.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord

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

**The Homily**

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray

**Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

*The Bishop says*

The Candidates will now be presented.

*Presenters*

I present these persons for Confirmation:

**Christopher Paul Buckingham, Jr., Josh Adam Dorsey, Henry MacMillan, Samuel Luis Radley-Taylor, Benjamin Price Riley, III**

*Then the Bishop asks the Candidates*

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

*Candidates* I do.

*Bishop* Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidates* I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

*Then the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*The Bishop then says these or similar words*

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **+The Baptismal Covenant**

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

*Bishop* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **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.**

*Bishop* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Bishop* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the Prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself.?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for *these persons* who *have* renewed *their* commitment to Christ.

*Leader* Deliver *them*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep *them* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Then the Bishop says*

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **For Confirmation**

*The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says*

Defend, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours for ever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more, until he comes to your everlasting kingdom. **Amen.**

*Then the Bishop says*

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over *these* your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with *them*, and so lead *them* in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that *they* may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **+The Peace**

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

*Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Anthem

“Praise the Lord”  
*Katehyn Ruyter, conductor*

Hopson

### +Offertory Response

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: O praise him, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### +The Great Thanksgiving

### Eucharistic Prayer B

*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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Then 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 many 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 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.**

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

**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.**

## +The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

*The Celebrant then says the following*

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

## +Post-Communion Prayer

*After Communion the Bishop says*

Let us pray

*Bishop 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.**

## +Blessing

*The Bishop blesses the people.*

## Announcements

## +Recessional Hymn

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands  
2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -  
4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,  
5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the  
3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the  
4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet  
5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.  
2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.  
3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.  
4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.  
5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

## +Dismissal

*The Priest dismisses the congregation with these words*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## +Postlude

"Tocatta for a Celebration"

G. Clarke

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## Serving Today

**Eucharistic Minister:** Leslie Schneider

**Lectors:** Goldey Vansant, Helen Vansant

**Crucifer:** Emerson Patti

**Ushers:** Lois Vanderbok, Charlie Schwan

**Altar Guild:** Betsy Sipes, Tom Christensen, Lynne Shand, Patti Snyder

**Greeters:** Connie Clark, Becky Myers

**Video Tech:** Ben Riley

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