

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 12th, Anno Domini (The Year of Our LORD)
2026

✠ Preparation ✠

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

Welcome and Connection Cards

Stand

Opening Hymn - Because He Lives

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

P In the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the Name of the LORD,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O LORD, kept a record of sins, O LORD, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our LORD Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first

consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Stand

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the LORD is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy Name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
 Seek the LORD and his strength;
 seek his presence continually!
 Remember the wondrous works that he has done,
 his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.
 He remembers his covenant forever,
 the word that he commanded, for a thousand
 generations.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit;
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual
 milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if
 indeed you have tasted that the LORD is good.
 sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus
 Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with
 You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
 forever.

G Amen.



O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our
 For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shipe



Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our h
 You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are I



Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right h
 In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our gl

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The LORD be with you.

G And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have
 celebrated the LORD's resurrection may by
 Your grace confess in our life and
 conversation that Jesus is LORD and God;
 through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who
 lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and forever.

Kyrie



G Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis



2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray; **Amen.**

3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.

First Reading *Acts 5: 29 - 42*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *adapt. from Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6*

Christ has risen from the dead.

[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor.

He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;

he has put all things under his feet.

Epistle

1 Peter 1: 3 - 9

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

All: Alleluia! We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. Alleluia! Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed. Alleluia!



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

- C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Nicene Creed

- C** **I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of
the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate.**

He suffered and was buried.

**And the third day He rose again
according to the Scriptures**

and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to
judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the
Son,
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and
apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the
remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the
dead
and the life † of the world to come.
Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: The Strife is O'er, the Battle
Done

The Sermon - "Peace Be With You" - John 20: 19
- 31

Memory Verse: "21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be
with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am
sending you." John 20: 21

Stand

Dedication of the Remodeled Sacristy (11 a.m. only)

Prayer of the Church

*The congregation now greets one another in the Name of the
LORD, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation
and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–
24; Eph. 4:1–3).*

(11 a.m. only) Please wave to all the worshipers online!

Pax Domini

- P** The peace of the LORD be with you always.
- C** Amen.

Sit

Connection Cards

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Offering and Offertory Prayer

Benedicamus

- L** Let us bless the LORD.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you.
The LORD make His face shine on you and be
gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and † give
you peace.
- C** Amen.

Sit

Announcements

Closing Hymn - Trust and Obey