

Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Gathered as believers in Christ, with the living Christ among us, let us offer prayers to God for the life of all the world.

Reader: For peace from on high and for our salvation.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For our new brothers and sisters illumined by the light of Christ.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Russell our Bishop and the priests, the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Remembering especially Tiffany Turner and Rona Greene and for all those in need, the suffering and the oppressed, travelers and prisoners, the dying and the dead.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Remembering especially expectant parents Rachel and Scott, Emmanuelle and Austin Ledger, Palmer & William Davis and for ourselves, our families, and those we love.  
Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Gracious Lord, you created all things and called them good. Make us faithful stewards of creation, wisely caring for the earth, the air, the seas, and all the life they bear; Shower your blessing on earth, O God.  
Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Remembering our most glorious and blessed Virgin Mary, St. Simon, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.  
To you, O Lord.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who freed us from our sins by the blood of Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

The Celebrant: Adds a Collect.

The Peace & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory “Prayer” Carole Sager and David Foster  
Sung by: Ruby Stillion and Sara Florence

Presentation The Doxology  
  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A BCP, p. 361

Sanctus The Hymnal S~125

The Lord’s Prayer BCP, p. 364

Breaking of the Bread  
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.  
Then the Choir and People sing

Alleluia. Christ our Passover by Jeffery Rickard  
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore, let us keep the feast! Alleluia.

Communion Hymn My Shepherd will supply my need  
The Hymnal 1982 #664

Post Communion Prayer BCP, p. 366

Sending of the Eucharistic Visitor

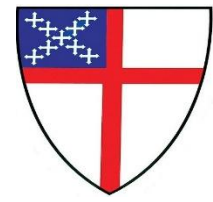
Celebrant: We send you forth with these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in this Communion of Christ’s Body and Blood.  
People: We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing by the Celebrant

Closing Hymn That Easter day with joy was bright  
The Hymnal 1982 #193

Dismissal  
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude “Trumpet Tune” by Christopher Tambling



St. Simon’s on the Sound  
Episcopal Church

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Second Sunday of Easter \* April 27, 2025 \* 10:00

Clergy: The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, Bishop  
The Reverend J. David Knight, Rector  
The Reverend, Alan Sutherland, Celebrant

Choir: The St. Simon’s Choir  
Organist Lynda Cast

Book of Common Prayer = BCP Red The Hymnal 1982 = Blue  
Wonder Love and Praise = WLP Green Alleluia III = Yellow



Prelude “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”  
James Biery

Opening Hymn The Church’s one foundation  
The Hymnal 1982 #525

THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect of Purity BCP, p. 355

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.

The Gloria

God’s Paschal Lamb is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore with joy we keep the Easter feast;  
Forsaking sin, we share the bread of truth. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Now Christ is raised and will not die again;  
Death has no more dominion over him;  
Through him we die to sin and live to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:  
Though Adam’s sin had doomed all flesh to die,  
In Christ’s new life shall all be made alive. Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Collect of the Day BCP, p. 224

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.

A Reading from Acts

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.”

Acts 5:27-32

Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 118:14-29 BCP, p. 761  
(Read responsively by half verse. The people read after the asterisk.)

The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.  
There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the LORD.

"This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing, \*  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! \*  
LORD, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will exalt you."

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.

A Reading from Revelation

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.

Revelation 1:4-8

Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn Glorious things of the are spoken  
The Hymnal 1982 #522  
Verses 1 & 2

The Gospel

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus 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."

John 20:19-31

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.  
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Hymn Glorious things of thee are spoken  
The Hymnal 1982 #522  
Verses 3 & 4

Sermon The Reverend Alan Sutherland

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358