

Second Sunday of Easter



April 7, 2024
10:30 am



GOOD MORNING!

We're so glad you chose to be here at Resurrection today.

Whether you're here for the first time, or are a life-long member, Resurrection is a hopeful, healing, transformation-minded kind of place, a place where everyone is welcome and can grow their relationship with God and with one another.

If you *are* here for the first time (or if you just haven't gotten around to it yet), please fill out a pew card and put it in the offering plate to let us know you were here. To receive our weekly email bulletin, be sure to include your email address. And let us know if you would like to connect with our parish life and ministries; we're happy to help you find your spot!

Our services follow *The Book of Common Prayer*, the red book in your pew rack. If you'd like to use the book to follow the service, we begin on page 355. Unless otherwise marked, our hymns are from the *Hymnal 1982*, the blue books in the pew rack.

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Fill out a pew card or email office@episcopalloudon.com to be placed on on the weekly email, *Parish Tidings*, for the latest information from Resurrection.

If you can't make it here in person, join us at 10:30, live on Facebook, or watch when you can on Vimeo! facebook.com/episcopalloudon or vimeo.com/episcopalloudon



MORNING PRAYER, RITE II

Opening Hymn

Morning has broken

Hymnal 8

All standing, the Officiant says

BCP 77

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Officiant then says)

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Colossians 3:1

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,**

We prepare for our time together.

We take our places and allow the peaceful quiet to center and calm us.

The bold portions are the parts the congregation says together. Remember that “liturgy” means worshipping together. It is important that we make our responses in a good, strong voice.

For most of the 20th century, **Morning Prayer** was the usual Sunday morning service. It was only with the introduction of trial versions of the 1978 Book of Common Prayer that Holy Eucharist began to become the primary service on Sundays.

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Kneeling, the Officiant says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All stand

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover Pascha nostrum

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Alleluia.

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,**

**Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice
and evil, ***

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity

and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

death no longer has dominion over him.

**The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

**So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Alleluia.**

**Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

**For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of
the dead.**

**For as in Adam all die, *
so also in Christ shall all be made alive.
Alleluia.**

Psalm 133

BCP 787

Lector We will read the Psalm in unison.

**1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!**

**2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,**

**3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**

**4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.**

**5 For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Spirit: ***

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be
for ever. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

Lector A reading from the Book of Acts

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 20 Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1 - 2:2

Lector A reading from the First Book of John

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive

ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand

Sequence Hymn

We walk by faith

Hymnal 209

The Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

Lector A reading from the Gospel of John.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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.”

We stand to indicate the importance we place of Jesus’ words and actions. The **Gospel** book comes into the midst of the people and all turn toward the reader.

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.**

The Apostles’ Creed

BCP 96

Officiant and People together, all standing

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

When we have Morning Prayer, we use the **Apostle’s Creed** rather than the Nicene Creed.

This prayer of Jesus was given to his disciples as an example of how they should pray. The phrase “**Lord’s Prayer**” is not used in the New Testament. It is similar to Jewish prayers: it begins with an address to God the Father, continues with petitions which ask God to act in a way which would achieve his purposes, and then has petitions which ask for God’s help.

**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.**

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

The People stand or kneel

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

**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. Amen.**

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People **And grant us your salvation.**

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

Hymn

Let all mortal flesh

Hymnal 324

The Collect of the Day

BCP 224

The Officiant says

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.

Prayer for Mission

The Officiant says

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our

The Collect of the Day is the collect appointed for use on that day of the church year. Collects have a consistent form, including an invocation to God, a petition, and a conclusion.

hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.**

**We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus
Christ;**

for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

**And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your
mercies,**

**that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth
your praise,**

**not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you**

in holiness and righteousness all our days;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

**Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time
with one accord to make our common supplication
to you; and you have promised through your well-
beloved Son that when two or three are gathered
together in his Name you will be in the midst of**

them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Closing Hymn

Alleluia! the strife is o'er

Hymnal 208

The Dismissal

The Officiant says

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Romans 15:13

Parish Announcements

This center section of your bulletin is for you to tear out & take home with you. Keep the announcements, prayer lists, calendars, & Diocesan news on hand all week!

BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY

presented by Loudon County Habitat for Humanity

May 29th & 30th

Bridges Out of Poverty is a program designed to help you recognize the economic, cultural and societal hurdles low-income individuals face as they seek to provide for their families.

This program will make you aware of the unique and sometimes hidden obstacles they face. It will also give you a deeper understanding of their challenges and strengths, and will help you visualize how we can all work together to create opportunities that will help these families succeed.

Nearly 6,800 Loudon County residents live below the poverty line. Habitat believes that everyone deserve a safe and affordable place to call home, and we partner with hard-working families to make it happen. We are proud to share this program with you.

On May 29th and 30th, there will be two separate **Bridges Out of Poverty** programs. The first, on May 29th, will be hosted by Community Church at Tellico Village from 5pm to 9pm (registration begins at 4:30pm), and the second, on May 30th, will be hosted by Central United Methodist Church from 8am to noon (registration begins at 7:30am).

Cost to attend: \$25 per person, includes workbook and dinner on the 29th, or workbook and breakfast on the 30th.

To make reservations, call Sandi Byrd at (865) 816-7803 or email Sandra@loudoncountyhabitat.org. For more information, go to loudoncountyhabitat.org.

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Prayers & Thanksgivings

THIS WEEK'S PARISH PRAYER LIST

Carol; Joe; Kim E.; Ed & Jean; Bob C.; Raynella; Tracy; Daphne; Ulla; Ashley; Debbie; Nancy C.; Jack H.; Rame; Ingham; Sharon; Larry; Diana N.; Sandy; Peggy Ann

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

4/1 - Thomas Fiebke
4/2 - Claire Boyles
4/4 - Carl Bye
4/12 - Jane Scott
4/15 - Oralee Adams
4/25 - Art Stewart
4/30 - Chip & Carolyn Parker

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST

Claire	Sandy
Rob & Sherry	Lynnette
Cheri	the Garretts
Jane	Sue
Millie	Shannon
Jim	Donna
Mel	Kasie
Charles	Wayne

DIOCESAN PRAYERS

For Joy in God's Creation, BCP, p.814

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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For Your Calendars

Acolyte: Jack Lefler
Lector: Holly Pate
Usher: Donna Bye
Chancellor: Holly Pate
Coffee Host: Erlys Ploeger
Altar Guild: Kathleen Bailey
Flower Guild: Rosemary Kitts

Acolyte: Andrew Wilkinson
EM: Mark Hennes
Lector: Peggy Rogers
Usher: Kathleen Bailey
Chancellor: Peggy Rogers
Coffee Host: Don & Kittie Pionke
Altar Guild: Kathleen Bailey
Flower Guild: Dianna Stimpson

April 21st

Acolyte: Jack Lefler
EM: Kelly Johnson
Lector: Mark Hennes
Usher: Jerry Ploeger
Chancellor: Jerry Ploeger
Coffee Host: Cal Van Koughnett
Altar Guild: Kathleen Bailey
Flower Guild: Betty Martin

Next Week at Resurrection

Monday, 4/8

10:00am - Companions Group

7:00pm - AA (open meeting)

Tuesday, 4/9

10:00am - Open Table Tuesday@

Carmichael Inn

1:00pm Education for Ministry Class

Wednesday, 4/10

11:00am - Acts Study (Zoom)

Thursday, 4/11

3:30pm - AA (women only meeting)

Friday, 4/12

9:30am - Prayers & Squares

Sunday, 4/14

8:00am - Morning Prayer Service

10:30am - Morning Prayer Service

Email office@episcopalloudon.com to have your ministry or committee's activities or meetings added to the parish calendar (and to let us know if you'd like it to appear here).

COMING UP . . .

April 15 - Vestry Meeting

April 20 - Resurrection Men Meeting

Check your Parish Tidings and keep a look out for upcoming details!

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Check it out!

HERE I AM DAY

Every baptized Christian is called to ministry. Sometimes God's call to us is clear; other times we need help to figure it out.

On Saturday, April 27, the Episcopal Diocese of East Tennessee will host its annual Here I Am Day at the Episcopal School of Knoxville. It is for anyone who is discerning a call to lay ministry, religious orders, the vocational diaconate, or to the priesthood. The day will feature reflections, panel discussions with lay and ordained ministers, and opportunities for prayer and fellowship.

Here I Am Day is great for those who are just beginning to explore a call and who would like more information about different ministries and tools for discernment. All those who have begun a process of discernment within their parish are expected to attend, along with their sponsoring clergy.

Lunch and refreshments are included in the \$20 registration fee. The registration deadline is Monday, April 15, 2024. Please feel free to contact Jon Humber, Episcopal Engagement Specialist, with any questions, jhumber@dioet.org.

Many thanks to all who help Holy Week and Easter Sunday happen. You show up cheerfully, you make our services possible. Thank you, thank you!

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TODAY'S ART



**Altarpiece with relief of the appearance of Jesus before the apostles with the
“unbelieving” Thomas**

1908-1909

Matthias Beule (1877-1921)

German

St. Antonius Hermit (Iseringhausen) Church, Germany