

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Holy Eucharist, Rite II April 27, 2025 | 9am



Anonymous. Christ Appearing to the Apostles, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

OPENING HYMN

H 180 HE IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, preschool \mathscr{B} elementary aged children are invited to the back of the sanctuary to join kids chapel.

Please stand as you are able.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

He Tell 1 is ris en, he is ris - en! it out with 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and *3 with high ho - lv hail our Lord's Come, and hymn-ing, tri He he ris - en! He hath 4 is ris en, is o - pened -D 0 voice: has burst joy - ful he his three days' pris - on; ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de part - ed; um - phant day; one dark - some cloud is dim - ming not hea - ven's gate: free from we are sin's dark pris - on, 0 let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered, Je - sus' woes are o - ver and the pas - sion now, glo - rious break von - der morn-ing o'er the ray, ing ris - en ho - lier state: and bright - er to a а n 9:



Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: Unser Herrscher, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

All 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.

Celebrant Hear what the Lord Jesus Christ says: Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Jesus' summary of the Law (from Matthew 22:37-40) has been included at the outset of Episcopal services since 1789. It orients our worship and **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant 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.**

FIRST LESSON

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 Collect of the Day "collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear.

ACTS 5:27-32

Please be seated.

THE RESPONSE

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, * and he has become my salvation. 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous: 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! * the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!" 17 I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the LORD. 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, * but he did not hand me over to death. 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; * I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD. 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; * he who is righteous may enter." 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation. 22 The same stone which the builders rejected * has become the chief cornerstone. 23 This is the LORD'S doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes. 24 On this day the LORD has acted; * we will rejoice and be glad in it. 25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! * LORD, send us now success. 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; * we bless you from the house of the LORD. 27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; * form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar. 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; * you are my God, and I will exalt you." 29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever.

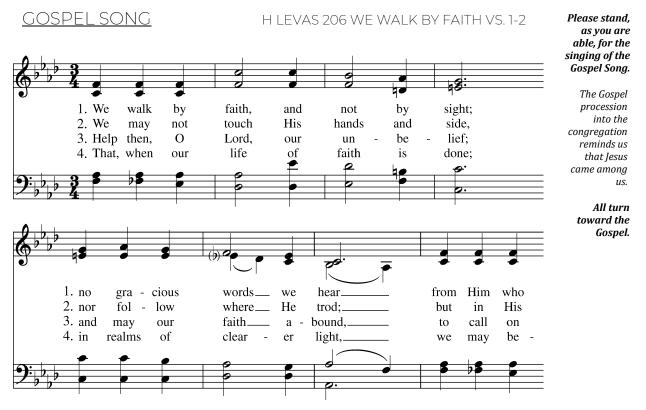
SECOND LESSON

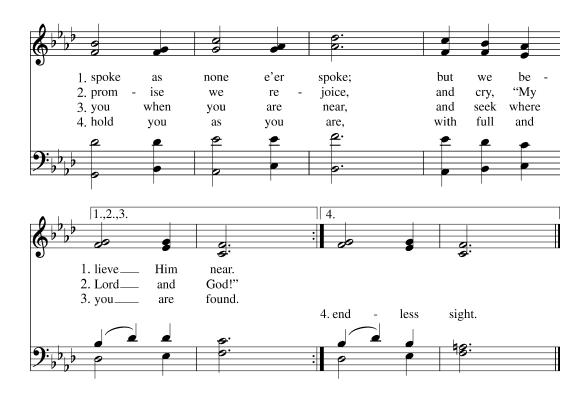
John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

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.**





THE GOSPEL

Јони 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 your 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 our 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.

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL SONG

LEVAS 206 WE WALK BY FAITH, VS. 3-4

Please be seated for the homily.

<u>THE HOMILY</u> There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.

Please stand, as you are able.

The Nicene Creed is the most ancient and important corporate confession of our faith. We are joining ourselves to the great heritage of the holy (of God) catholic (universal) and apostolic (witnessing to the resurrection) church down through the centuries.

This heritage is vaster, richer, and more mysterious than any one individual can understand, but we, as the community of the members of the Body of Christ, share and commit ourselves to it.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father. the Almighty. maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God. eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures: he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence *Leader* For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. *Leader* For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. *Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. *Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. *Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God. For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. Leader For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Kristin our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers. For all who serve God in his Church. Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Silence The People may add their own petitions. Leader Hear us, Lord;. For your mercy is great. Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. Silence The People may add their own petitions. *Leader* We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever. *Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Silence The People may add their own petitions *Leader* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; Who put their trust in you. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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<u>CONFESSION OF SIN</u>

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Deacon Most merciful God.. People 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, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE PEACE

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

<u>OFFERTORY</u>

O TASTE AND SEE R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

As well as placing your offering in the plate, we encourage you to give your offering electronically today through our CoR App. (Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system located here: <u>https://redeemercincy.tpsdb.com/Give/offering</u>. There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering securely.

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow: Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

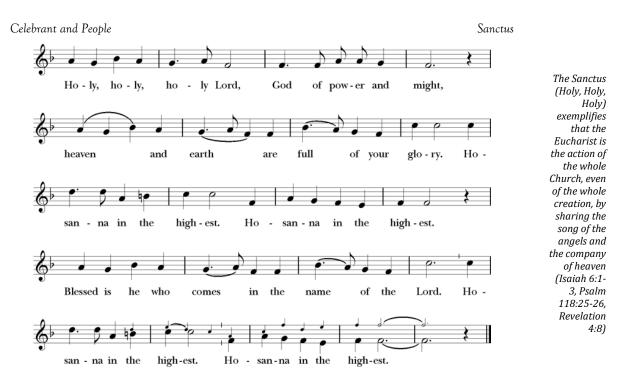
The Peace is an extension of Christian greeting and teaching. It symbolizes our intent to forgive as we are forgiven, to live in peace shalom, harmony with all persons.

The offertory sentence reminds us that our offerings are our response to God's care and

nurture.

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 our thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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:



The Institution Narrative recalls the particular mighty act that is the focus of the service: the gift of Christ's bodv and blood to be our spiritual food and drink (1 Corinthians 11:23-26, Matthew 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24. Luke 22:19-20).

We ask that the Holv Spirit sanctify (bless or make holy) the bread and wine and also us who are to receive the sacrament of Christ's body and blood. Because it gives our assent ("So be it") to all the Eucharistic Prayer, the people's response is called the Great Amen.

The people may stand or kneel, 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 Mary and 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,

People and Celebrant

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

Please be seated until directed forward by the ushers.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

If you wish to receive the bread the body of Christ, please come to the altar and hold out your hand to take the bread.

You may eat the bread immediately, and if you wish to receive the wine from the chalice, please assist the chalice to your lips for a sip of wine.

You may also leave the bread in your hand and dip it in the wine.

If you wish to receive the bread only, please know it is the historic position of the Church that receiving one of the elements is sufficient to complete communion.

THE COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant

People

mant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Following the Blessing, the people respond **Amen.**



DeaconGo forth in the Word, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.PeopleThanks be to God.

The dismissal asserts the relationship between worship and living. It is a call to mission, a call to live the baptismal and Eucharistic life in the world.

POSTLUDE Concerto in A Minor BWV593, mov't 1 J. S. Bach

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

The Rev. Philip DeVaul
The Rev. Canon Jodi Baron
The Rev. Gary Lubin
Nico Rumboll
David Haffner
Ed Ewbank
Ellie Allen, George Allen, Anna Kirk
Julia Sebastian
David Burrow, Joan Burrow
Missy Darling, Ivan Delgado, Amanda Rasche, Sarah Kate Rasche
Pattie Kovach
Courtney Vice, Vicky Carroll, Sue Wilkening, Cindy Bryden, Christine Bennett
Church of the Redeemer Choir
Dr. L. Brett Scott, Choir Director; Greg Miller, Assistant Choir Master
Ningjing Wu, Organist



Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer! We love the sound of kids in our service. Here are some ideas to keep them engaged:

Relax: It's OK for kids to be kids. We offer coloring pages, worship bags, and books they can use during the service.

Sit Close: Consider sitting up front where it's easier for kids to see.

Explain: Kids are curious! Explain what's happening in the service.

Participate: Kids learn by mimicking what you do. So sing, pray, respond, etc. and kids will follow your lead.

Wander: It's OK to move around. Sometimes it's easier to let fidgety kids wander.

Need to Leave? No problem, there are spaces to take a break - kids need that sometimes. Come back when you're ready!

Ask: Questions or need help? Just ask our ushers.



WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!

VISITING OR CHECKING US OUT TODAY? THINKING OF JOINING?

Church of the Redeemer may be the place for you. Here's how to connect:

JOIN US for coffee and hospitality after the worship services in the Great Hall.

ASK QUESTIONS and join the Newcomer group at the Welcome Table, found in the Narthex (Lobby). If you like, sign-up for a name tag. Greeters, ushers, clergy, and friendly people would love to talk to you!

CHILD CARE is available in the Playroom for children (**age 3 and younger**) each Sunday beginning at 8:45 am through 12:15 pm. During **10:00 am education hour**, children (**age 3-6**) may join Godly Play in the Playroom; (**grades 1-4**) are invited to Club CoR in the Great Hall (Cloister Side); (**grades 5&6**) gather in the Library for Middle CoR; and youth (**grades 7-12**) meet in the Youth Café in the upstairs kitchen.

Questions about family & children's programming? Contact our Minister for Family Discipleship, Tym House at tym@redeemer-cincy.org.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED? Contact Nancy Schwartz, Director of Operations: nancyschwartz@redeemer-cincy.org or 513.321.6700



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REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAMETAG - As we gather together for worship today it is important to wear your nametag to help us all remember names or just meet for the first time. Don't have a nametag yet? Sign-up for one in the narthex/lobby near the entrance to the chapel. It will be ready for you next Sunday in the nametag cabinet.

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CALENDAR

Look for more details on events on our website: redeemer-cincy.org/connect/event-directory/

Church of the Redeemer offers a variety of worship, education, and fellowship events for all ages. A quick glance at our Events Page provides a look at both our recurring opportunities, as well as those special events we have throughout the year. You can access the church Events Page on our website under the Connect tab, on our CoR App using the Events button, and by using the QR code.

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