



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021 AT 10:30 A.M.

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Welcome:

Steven Mackison

Song: "Do Not Stand at My Grave and Weep" (Howard Goodall)

Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the softly falling snow.
I am the gentle showers of rain
I am the fields of ripening grain.
I am in the morning hush
I am in the graceful rush of far-off birds in circling flight.
I am the starshine of the night.

I am in every flower that blooms
I am in still and empty rooms
I am the child that yearns to sing:
I am in each lovely thing.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there
I did not die.

-attrib. Mary Elizabeth Frye

✠ The Easter Greeting:

Steven Mackison

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

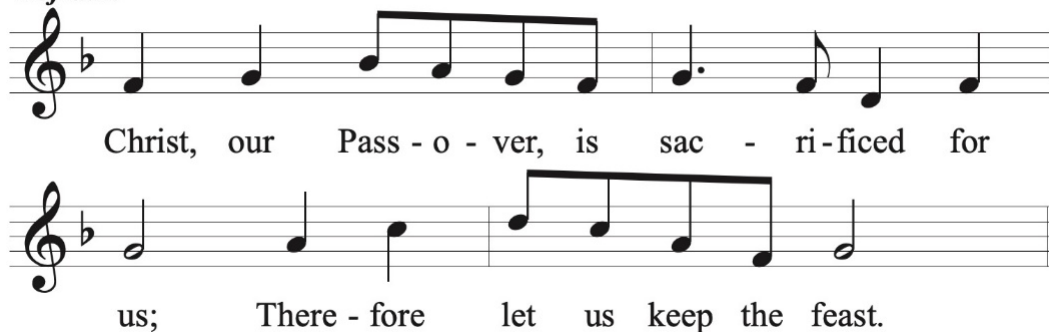
Priest: The stone is rolled away.

People: **Death has been vanquished.**

Canticle: "Christ our Passover"

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Refrain:



Christ, our Pass - o - ver, is sac - ri - ficed for
us; There - fore let us keep the feast.

The Collect of the Day:

Steven Mackison

Priest: Almighty and eternal God,
the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt,
may we, who have not seen, have faith
and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading:

Kim Mouldsdale

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The group of those who believed were of one heart and mind, and no one said that any of his possessions was his own, but everything was held in common. With great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was on them all. For there was no one needy among them, because those who were owners of land or houses were selling them and bringing the proceeds from the sales and placing them at the apostles' feet. The proceeds were distributed to each, as anyone had need.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

Acts 4.32-35

All: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed

Psalm 133 (Paraphrase) #473 (Common Praise) "Miren qué Bueno"

Screen share

Refrain



¡Mi-ren qué bue-no, qué bue-no es!

Verses



1. How pleas - ant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:
2. How pleas - ant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:
3. How pleas - ant and har - mo - nious when God's peo - ple are to - geth - er:



fra-grant as pre-cious oil when run-ning fresh on Aar-on's beard.
fresh like the morn-ing dew that falls on Zi-on's ho - ly hill.
there is where God be-stows the bless-ing, life for ev - er - more.

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Second Reading:

Paul Rodger

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of John.

This is what we proclaim to you: what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and our hands have touched (concerning the word of life— and the life was revealed, and we have seen and testify and announce to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us). What we have seen and heard we announce to you too, so that you may have fellowship with us (and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ). Thus we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

Now this is the gospel message we have heard from him and announce to you: God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him and yet keep on walking in the darkness, we are lying and not practicing the truth. 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 we do not bear the guilt of sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous, forgiving us our sins and cleansing us from all unrighteousness. If we say 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 One, and he himself is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for our sins but also for the whole world.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

1 John 1.1-2.2

All: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment of silence is observed

Sequence Hymn: #244 (Common Praise) “We Walk by Faith”

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1. We walk by faith, and not by sight; no gra-cious words we hear from
(2. We may not) touch his hands and side, nor fol-low where he trod; but
(3. Help then, O) Lord, our un-be-lief; and may our faith a-bound, to
(4. that, when our) life of faith is done, in realms of clear-er light we



him who spoke as none e'er spoke; but we be-lieve him near.
in his prom-ise we re-joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"
call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found:
may be-hold you as you are, with full and end-less sight.



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2. We may not
3. Help then, O
4. that, when our

The Gospel:

Susan Haig

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the disciples had gathered together and locked the doors of the place because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. Just as the Father has sent me, I also send you.” And after he said this, he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone’s sins, they are forgiven; if you retain anyone’s sins, they are retained.” Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord!” But he replied, “Unless I see the wounds from the nails in his hands, and put my finger into the wounds from the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will never believe it!”

Eight days later the disciples were again together in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and examine my hands. Extend your hand and put it into my side. Do not continue in your unbelief, but believe." Thomas replied to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are the people who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus performed many other miraculous signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

John 20.19-31

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily:

Angie Hocking

A moment of silence is observed.

Meditation: #746 (Common Praise)

Screen share

Refrain



The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

Verses



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com -
2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia, f - or though



Music: David Millard (1959-) ©

- mu - nion of the bo - dy of Christ.
ma - ny, w - e sha - re one bread.



1. All shall be well! For on our Eas - ter skies see Christ the sun of
2. All shall be well! The sac - ri - fice is made, the sin - ner freed, the
3. All shall be well! The cross and pas - sion past, dark night is done, bright
4. All shall be well! Lift ev - ery voice on high; "Death has no more do -
5. Je - sus a - live! Re - joice and sing a - gain; all shall be well for



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 Hope Publishing Co. Music: First strain of
 Song 46, Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625).

right-eous-ness a - rise.
 price of par-don paid.
 morn-ing come at last.
 min - ion, but shall die."
 ev - er-more, A - men!

The Prayers of the People:

John Sutton

Leader: Knowing that the risen Christ is here among us,
 let us pray in his name for the Church and for the world.
 Giver of new life, we pray for your blessing on all Christians,
 worshipping today all over the world;
 and we pray for all who doubt your truth.
 We pray that our hearts may be set ablaze with love,
 and that we may walk as children of light.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Alleluia! You are Risen:

All: My Lord and My God!

Leader: We pray for all the areas of your world
 that are experiencing violence, famine, disease, racism, and religious tensions;
 we pray for a lasting peace between peoples in conflict,
 and a deeper commitment to the environment and to all living things.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Alleluia! You are Risen:

All: My Lord and My God!

Leader: We pray for families who are persecuted for their beliefs,
that they may find strength and courage in the Easter Gospel.
We pray for the children of our church,
that they may grow in their vibrant and living faith.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Alleluia! You are Risen:

All: My Lord and My God!

Leader: We pray for those who wake up
to another day filled with pain or illness
and for those who long for someone to spend time with them.
We pray for all who suffer during this time of pandemic.
Open our eyes to the need that is always in our midst.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Alleluia! You are Risen:

All: My Lord and My God!

Leader: We pray for those who have died.
Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.
We pray for those who struggle with the death of someone they love.
Give us all hope in the resurrection that awaits your children.

A long pause is observed. Please give voice to your prayers or add them over in the chat box

Alleluia! You are Risen:

All: My Lord and My God!

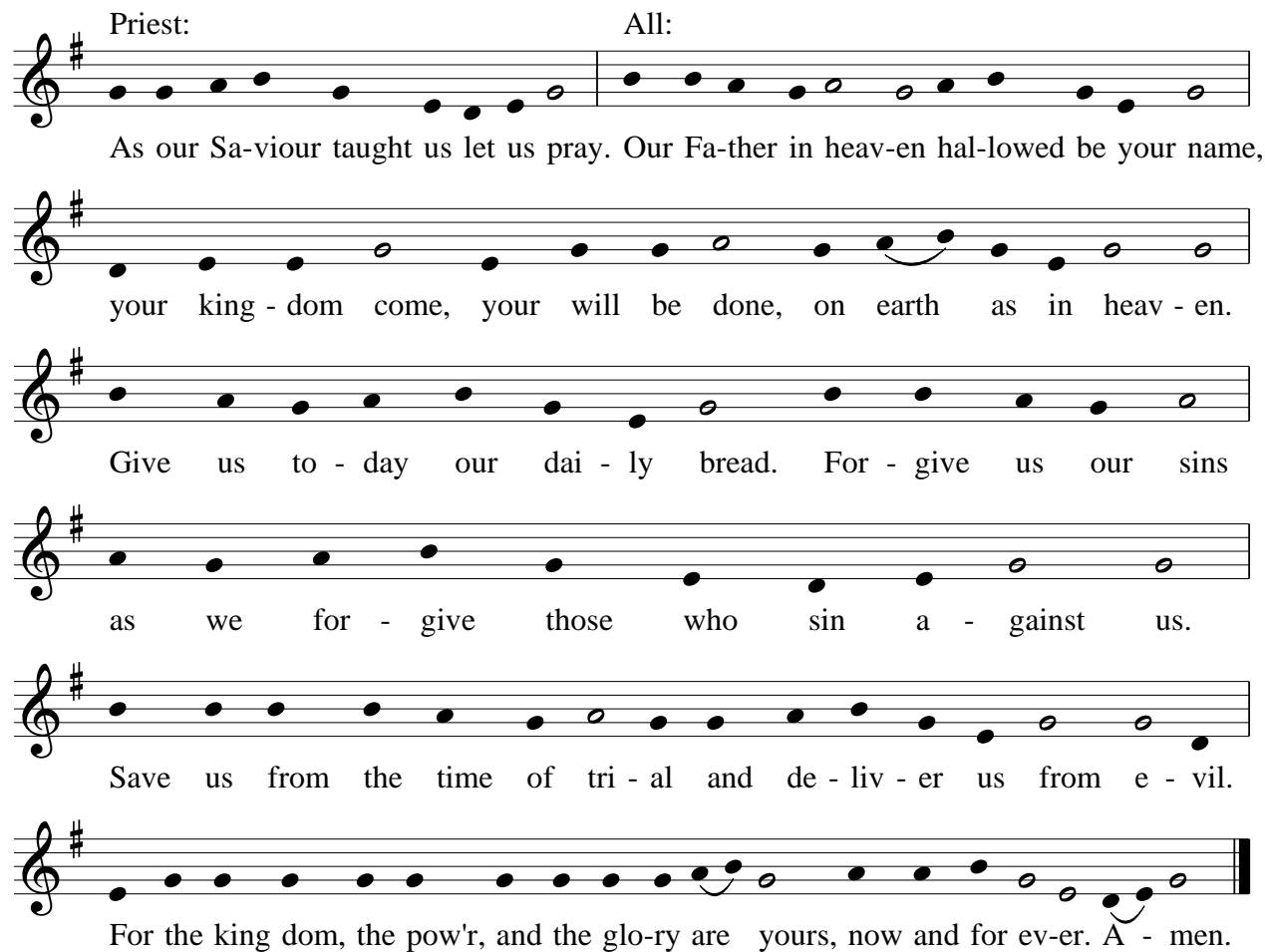
Leader: Gracious God,
with joy in our hearts,
we thank you for the new life
opened up to us through the resurrection of Christ.
This we pray in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

Steven Mackison

Priest: All:



As our Sa-viour taught us let us pray. Our Fa-ther in heav-en hal-lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
Save us from the time of tri - al and de - liv - er us from e - vil.
For the king dom, the pow'r, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for ev-er. A - men.

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The Doxology:

Steven Mackison

Priest: Glory to God,
All: **whose power working in us
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn: #423 (Gather) "O Sons and Daughters"

Screen share

Refrain



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

Verses



1. O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing! The King of heav'n the
5. When Thom - as, first the tid - ings heard, How they had seen the
6. "My wound - ed side, O Thom - as, see; Be - hold my hands, my
7. No lon - ger Thom - as then de - nied, He saw the feet, the



glo - rious King. O'er death to - day rose tri - umph-ing. Al-le-lu-ia!
ris - en Lord, He doubt-ed the dis-ci - ples' word. Al-le-lu-ia!
feet," said he, "Not faith-less, but be - liev - ing be." Al-le-lu-ia!
hands, the side; "You are my Lord and God," he cried. Al-le-lu-ia!

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The Blessing:

Steven Mackison

Priest: God the Father,
by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.
And may the blessing of God,
Creator, Redeemer, Sanctifier
be amongst you and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal:

Susan Haig

Priest: With the power that raised Jesus from the dead at work within you,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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Ministry Updates

Compline at 8 PM

Compline is a Christian tradition of bedtime prayers. These traditional prayers unveil God’s grace in all of our endings - the day’s end, the week’s end, and our last nightfall.

Join in through Zoom at 8 PM each Sunday night for about 20 minutes. The link can be found in each Friday's eNews.

Living our Questions: A Small-Group Experience with Fellow Seekers

Is there a "sticking point" in your experience of Christian community? It's easy to feel isolated with our sticking points, but we're not. Learning@Redeemer invites you to share the questions you live with in a safe, confidential circle of fellow seekers. A group of 10 to 12 participants will have an initial meeting on Thursday, April 15 from 7:30-9 PM with the special invitation to share your “sticking points.” We’ll start by sharing from the heart about our journeys. In our later meetings, we’ll take up the topics that members most want to explore and take turns leading discussion on. More details are on our [website](#), and [registration](#) will be open until Sunday evening, April 11.

Voices For Peace

Voices for Peace explores the radical Christian praxis of peace and non-violence. Redeemer, along with Citizens for Public Justice, the Henri Nouwen Society, the Basilian Centre for Peace and Justice, and the Canadian Council of Churches, sponsors the conference.

This year, in lieu of a residential conference, so we are hosting three webinars with the theme Radical Hope: Radical Resistance. Our speakers will explore the connections of

peacemaking to ecology, reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and opposition to nuclear weapons development.

April 20, 7 PM: Sylvia Keesmaat. "Recovering Our Roots in the Community of Creation." (Ecology)

June 16, 7 PM: Terry Leblanc. "Retelling our Theological Narrative." (Reconciliation)

September 16, 7 PM: John Dear. Title TBA (Nuclear disarmament)

Tickets are \$15 + tax/event. [Registration](#) for April 20 is now open.

Vaccinations

If you would like assistance, or know of anyone in our community who would benefit from assistance, registering for a vaccination or travelling to and from their appointment, the Pastoral Care Team is here to help. Please contact Susan at shaig@theredeemer.ca.

Pastoral Care Team Checking In

The Pastoral Care Team and its volunteers have been calling and continue to call, members of the Redeemer Community to check in with them regarding how they are doing during this pandemic.

Due to the ongoing isolation and disconnectedness, if you know of anyone who would benefit from a call from our Pastoral Care Team, that has not been receiving a call, please contact Tony Crosbie at tony.crosbie@sympatico.ca.

Intercessions

In the prayers of the people each Sunday, space is left for members of the community to add a name or concern in chat. If you have people or situations that you would like included in the service but are not comfortable giving voice to them, there is a prayer request form on the website. These will be added to the intercessions in the appropriate petition. You can find the form [here](#).

Parish Cycle of Prayer

Each month a cycle of prayer is available [online](#). This resource provides the names of ministries from the Anglican Communion, the Indigenous cycle of prayer, the diocese and our community to hold in our prayers each day. In peace we pray. Lord, Hear our prayer.

Future Ministry Updates

For all future announcement or ministry updates, please email twilliams@theredeemer.ca by Wednesday each week for your contribution to be included in the following Sunday bulletin.