## The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels

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# The Holy Eucharist On The Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.



## The Cathedral Church of Saint Michael and All Angels The Diocese of Barbados

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#### **Sunday, April 16, 2023**

### The Second Sunday of Easter YEAR A

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist President and Preacher: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist President and Preacher The Rev'd Canon George Knight

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#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### THE PREPARATION

Organ Prelude

**Introit** ~ **Hymn 171** "Good Christian men, rejoice and sing!"

Good Christian men, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord of Life is risen for ay! bring flowers of song to strew his way; let all mankind rejoice and say: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Praise we in songs of victory hat Love, that Life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thy name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Words: Cyril Argentine Alington (1872-1955)

Opening Sentence "Easter"

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Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed. Come, let us adore Him. Alleluia!

#### THE INVOCATION

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#### PRESIDENT:

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### **ALL:**

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your Name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may

worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. *Amen*.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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#### **ALL:**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires know, 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 KYRIES

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Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

#### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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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 Collect: "Second Sunday of Easter" Page 169

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*.

(Please sit)

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

**Lectors:** 

7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Jeanette Rollock

9:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Margaret Fraser-Morrison

A reading from the Word of God written in the Acts of the Apostles, the second chapter, beginning at the fourteenth verse.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption.

You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.'

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Psalm **16** Page 484

#### Conserva me, Domine

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;\*
  I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
  my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,\* upon those who are noble among the people.

- 3 But those who run after other gods\* shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer,\* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;\* it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;\* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;\* my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me;\* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;\* my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave,\* nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life;\*
  in your presence there is fullness of joy,
  and in your right hand are pleasures for
  evermore.

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

Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Lectors:

7:00 A.M. ~ Mrs. Joyanne Blackman-Jarvis

9:00 A.M. ~ Mr. Christopher Burnett

A reading from the Word of God written in the First Letter of Peter, the first chapter, beginning at the third verse.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

LECTOR: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

**The Gradual ~ Hymn 182** "The strife is o'er, the battle done;"

#### Antiphon:

#### Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the Victor's triumph won; O let the song of praise be sung:

#### Alleluia!

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst, and Jesus hath his foes dispersed; let shouts of praise and joy outburst.

#### Alleluia!

On the third morn he rose again glorious in majesty to reign; O let us swell the joyful strain:

#### Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live, and sing to thee

#### Alleluia!

Words: anonymous, from Finita jam sunt proelia, 17<sup>th</sup> century, Latin; translation: Francis Pott (1832-1909) The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

Gospeller: The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

GOSPELLER: The Lord be with you. **ALL:** And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

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."

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.

GOSPELLER: The Gospel of Christ.

**ALL:** Praise to Christ our Lord.

#### The Sermon:

7:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn 9:00 A.M. ~ The Rev'd Canon George Knight

(Please stand, as able)

#### **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate: He suffered, died and was buried. On the third day He rose again in fulfilment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father

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. With the Father and the Son He is worshipped 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** 

#### **INTERCESSION FORM "B"**

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Intercessors:

7:00 A.M.: Master Daniel Greenidge 9:00 A.M.: Dr. Sherlock Bradshaw

The Bidding Prayer: Assisting Priest

Lord, we pray for your Church, that together with the whole of creation we may rejoice in the Resurrection of Christ.

Lord in your love,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

(Please sit or kneel)

LEADER: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

ALL: That we all may be one.

LEADER: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

ALL: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

LEADER: We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons; **ALL: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.** 

LEADER: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

ALL: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

LEADER: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

ALL: That our works may find favour in your sight.

LEADER: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

ALL: That they may be delivered from their distress.

LEADER: Give to the departed eternal rest.

ALL: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

LEADER: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

ALL: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

LEADER: Let us pray for our needs and those of others.

(Silence is kept).

ALL: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

#### ACT OF PENITENCE

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PRESIDENT: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8,9)

(A period of silence shall be kept).

#### PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

FORM B

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#### **ALL:**

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 neighbours as ourselves; we have not loved ourselves as we ought. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

#### PRESIDENT:

Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

(Please stand as able)

## THE GREETING OF THE PEACE FORM A

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#### PRESIDENT:

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptised into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL: Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL: And also with you.

**HYMN OF FELLOWSHIP**: "Let there be peace on earth"

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God our Creator
Children all are we
Let us walk with each other
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

#### THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory ~ Hymn 178 "O sons and daughters, let us sing!"

#### Antiphon:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King, o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia! Alleluia! That Easter morn, at break of day, the faithful women went their way to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia! Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see, who sat, and spake unto the three, 'Your Lord doth go to Galilee.' Alleluia! Alleluia!

That night th'Apostles met in fear; amidst them came their Lord most dear, and said, 'My peace be on all here.' Alleluia! Alleluia!

When Thomas first the tidings heard, how they had seen the risen Lord, he doubted the disciples' word.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

'My pierced side, O Thomas, see; my hands, my feet I show to thee; Not faithless but believing be.' Alleluia! Alleluia!

No longer Thomas then denied; he saw the feet, the hands, the side; 'Thou art my Lord and God,' he cried. Alleluia! Alleluia!

How blest are they who have not seen, and yet whose faith has constant been; for they eternal life shall win. Alleluia! Alleluia!

On this most holy day of days, to God your hearts and voices raise in laud, and jubilee, and praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### Antiphon

Words: Jean Tisserant (14??-1494), from O filiae, 17<sup>th</sup> century, Latin; translation: John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

#### THE OFFERTORY PRAYER "B"

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#### PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE EUCHARISTC PRAYER

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PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

#### PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God: (go to page 128)

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 eternal life. (go to page 131)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

#### **ALL**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might;
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING "A" Page 131

#### PRESIDENT:

All Holy and glorious Father,
Our Creator God,
we give you thanks
because in your loving wisdom
you brought all things into being,
and are truly worthy of praise
from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ
Who took our human nature upon Him
you have redeemed the world
from the bondage of sin:
and by the power of your Holy Spirit
you have gathered a people to yourself,
to make known in ever place

His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name. Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And 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."

#### PRESIDENT:

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

#### **ALL:**

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### PRESIDENT:

And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood, of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love increase in us.
Unite us with all Bishops,
all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments,
and with the whole people of God, living and departed,
whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

#### **ALL:**

Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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#### PRESIDENT:

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

#### **ALL:**

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. *Amen*.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD Page 145

#### PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

#### **ALL:**

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

#### THE COMMUNION

#### The invitation "B"

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#### PRESIDENT:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

#### **ALL:**

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

#### THE AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.



## The Administration of Communion/Spiritual Communion

#### Communion ~ Hymn 590 "Hosanna to the living Lord!"

Hosanna to the living Lord! Hosanna to the Incarnate Word, to Christ, Creator, Saviour, King, let earth, let heaven hosanna sing, hosanna in the highest!

O Saviour, with protecting care abide in this thy house of prayer, where we thy parting promise claim, assembled in thy sacred name. Hosanna in the highest!

But, chiefest, in our cleansèd breast, Eternal, bid thy Spirit rest; and make our secret soul to be a temple pure and worthy thee. Hosanna in the highest!

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, be honour, praise, and glory given by all on earth and all in heaven. Hosanna in the highest!

Words: Reginald Heber: 1811; Music: John Dykes:1865

#### BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN ~ Hymn 643

"Christ, who once amongst us"

Christ, who once amongst us as a child did dwell, is the children's Saviour, and he loves us well; if we keep our promise made him at the font, he will be our Shepherd, and we shall not want.

There it was they laid us in those tender arms, where the lambs are carried safe from all alarms; if we trust his promise, he will let us rest in his arms for ever, leaning on his breast.

Though we may not see him for a little while, we shall know he holds us, often feel his smile; death will be to slumber in that sweet embrace, and we shall awaken to behold his face.

He will be our Shepherd after as before,

by still heavenly waters lead us ever more; make us lie in pastures beautiful and green, where none thirst or hunger, and no tears are seen.

Jesus, our good Shepherd, laying down thy life, lest thy sheep should perish in the cruel strife, help us to remember all thy love and care, trust in thee and love thee always, everywhere.

Author: William S. Bourne (1868)

#### THE POST COMMUNION "A"

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#### ALL:

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirts shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### THE BLESSING "Easter"

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight; and the blessing of God the Father be upon you this day and forever more.

ALL: Amen.

#### Welcome and Announcements

The Recessional ~ Hymn 166 "Christ the Lord is risen again!"

Christ the Lord is risen again! Christ hath broken every chain! Hark! Angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high, Alleluia!

He, who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife, is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy, and say alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross, lives in glory now on high, pleads for us, and hears our cry: Alleluia! He whose path no records tell, who descended into hell, who the strong man armed hath bound, now in highest heaven is crowned. Alleluia!

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save; now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia!

Now he bids us tell abroad how the lost may be restored, how the penitent forgiven, how we too may enter heaven. Alleluia!

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed; take our sins and guilt away: let us sing by night and day Alleluia!

> Words: Michael Weisse (1488-1534) from Christus ist erstanden, German; translation: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.

#### THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

ALL: And also with you.

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

**Organ Postlude** (Worshippers are invited to sit silently to listen to the voluntary but those who wish to leave at this point may do so quietly.)

Thank you most sincerely for worshipping at the Cathedral this morning.



#### SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

#### THEME FOR THE WEEK

"Jesus' resurrection is the keystone of our faith."



First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Comment: "Christ's resurrection: the fulfilment of God's promise to David."

In this lesson, **Peter preaches the fundamental message of the resurrection.** The time is just after the Pentecost experience and the coming of the Holy Spirit. The author of Acts presents a picture of Peter in Jerusalem telling the news about Jesus of Nazareth. Speaking to a Jewish audience, Peter seeks to show that a passage from the Psalms that promises protection from the powers of death could not have applied to King David, but instead was a prophecy about Jesus' resurrection.

#### Psalm 16

Comment: "In your presence there is fullness of joy."

Contentment, refuge, and joy are found in the presence of the Lord, and God's faithful servant will not be abandoned at death. Second Reading (The Epistle): 1 Peter 1:3-9

Comment: "New birth to a living hope through the resurrection."

This reading tells of the new birth Christians have received through baptism, which brings them a living hope through Jesus' resurrection and an imperishable inheritance. The letter is addressed to former pagans living in the country we now know as Turkey. They have been experiencing some form of persecution. They are encouraged to regard their trials as a testing, and to think of their faith as more precious than gold, which passes purified and unharmed through fire.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

Comments: "Beholding the wounds of the risen Christ."

Our gospel presents **two appearances of the risen Lord to his disciples.** The first takes place on the very evening of the day of his resurrection. The disciples are gathered in fear, but Jesus brings them peace, gives them their mission, and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. A week later, Thomas, who had been absent when Jesus first appeared and who doubted his resurrection, now knows Jesus by his wounds and worships him as his Lord and God. Future disciples will not have Jesus' physical presence, but they will be blessed in their belief.

#### **CATHEDRAL NEWS**

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Friends and well-wishers may write to: <a href="mailto:stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com">stmichaelcathedral@caribsurf.com</a> or call: 1-246-427-0790 for more details. Meantime, donations can be made through online payments to St. Michael's Cathedral via CIBC First Caribbean International Bank, Bridgetown Branch, Account #2719302, Transit #09606.

SICK: Please remember the sick and injured of our parish and wider community, especially Margaret Browne, Elsie Brunson, Colleen Byer, Courtney Carrington, Darwin Clarke, Alice P. Hall, Jonathan Holder, Marcia Hoyte, Selina Jones, Jeffrey Mascoll, Blair Murray, Marlene Moore, Clyde

Jeffrey Mascoll, Blair Murray, Marlene Moore, Clyde Outram, Sylvester "Blues" Sargeant, Sheila Sealy, Phyllis Springer, Winifred Trotman, Ernesta Yard and George Yearwood.

BEREAVEMENT: We extend sincere condolences to the families of the late Mr. Chesterfield Benjamin and Mrs. Annette Weekes-Norville, former choristers; the late Mr. Kermit Crawford, father of Dereck (deceased), Cleveland, David, Clyde, Patrick and Christopher Crawford, Mrs. Jacqueline Waldron and The Rev'd Jilian Crawford; and to the family of The Rt. Rev'd Rawle E. Douglin, retired Bishop of the Diocese of Trinidad and Tobago

(1993-2001). May the departed rest in peace. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." (*Matthew 5:4*)

**DEACONS' CUPBOARD:** Members are reminded to support the Deacons' Cupboard ministry, through which the Cathedral is able to provide for relief to persons in need of food. Please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the cupboard. Place all gifts in the basket at the West Door. Please help those in need. Thank you.

Congratulations to all celebrating birthdays this week:

April 16 - 22, 2023 Ms. Norma Caddle ~ 16 Mr. Anthony E. Hoyte ~ 18 Mr. William Cumberbatch ~ 21

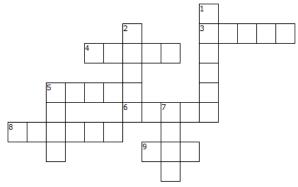


#### **Believe It or Not!**

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it." John 20:25

Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)





#### **ACROSS**

- To be in a state of pleasure, satisfaction, joy or delight
- 4. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war
- To be undecided or unbelieving that something is true
- The body parts at the end of the arms
- 8. Not open
- 9. To break God's law

#### **DOWN**

- The disciple who would not believe without seeing
- To believe in something for which there is no proof
- An entrance into a building or room
- A thin piece of metal with one pointed end and one flat end which you hit with a hammer

PEACE	DOOR	HANDS	FAITH	HAPPY
NAIL	THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	DOUBT

Daily Book of Common Prayer Readings (April 16-22, 2023)						
Day	Morning Readings	Evening Readings				
The Second Sunday of Easter	Psalms 146, 147 Isaiah 43:8-13 1 Peter 2:2-10	Psalms 111, 112,113, Exodus 14:5-22 John 14:1-7				
Monday	Psalms 1, 2, 3 Daniel 1:1-21 1 John 1:1-10	Psalms 4, 7 Exodus 14:21-31 John 17:1-11				
Tuesday	Psalms 5, 6 Daniel 2:1-16 1 John 2:1-11	Psalms 10, 11 Exodus 15:1-21 John 17:12-19				
Wednesday	Psalm 119:1-24 Daniel 2:17-30 1 John 2:12-17	Psalms 12, 13, 14 Exodus 15:22—16:10 John 17:20-26				
Thursday	Psalm 18:1-20 Daniel 2:31-49 1 John 2:18-29	Psalm 18:21-50 Exodus 16:10-22 Luke 3:1-14				
Friday	Psalms 16, 17 Daniel 3:1-18 1 John 3:1-10	Psalms 134, 135 Exodus 16:23-36 Luke 3:15-22				
Saturday	Psalms 20, 21:1-7 (8-14) Daniel 3:19-30 1 John 3:11-18	Psalms 110:1-5(6-7), 116, 117 Exodus 17:1-16 Luke 4:1-13 Collect for 3 Easter				

#### **SERMON NOTES**

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#### Images of Easter: The Easter Lily Reflection by The Very Rev'd Dr. Jeffrey D. Gibson



The Easter Lily, a tall, stalky plant topped by graceful, trumpet-shaped blooms, is commonly tied to the Bible, though the Gospels do not make any direct association between the risen Christ and lilies. However, Lilies make many appearances in both the Old and New Testaments, thereby emphasizing the flower's importance to Christian heritage. Jesus, like the prophet Hosea (14:5), referenced the lilies:

"Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these." (*Luke 12:27*)

An Ancient Greek myth tells of the tale of the lilies blooming. In Roman mythology, Venus, the goddess of love, was so envious of the lily's beauty and purity that she caused a giant pistil to sprout from its center. Cultures across the world still see lilies as symbols of virtue, hope, grace, and innocence.

In Christian Church, the lilies have been referred to as "white-robed apostles of hope". The Church, therefore, was not afraid to adopt an image from another tradition and repurpose it. In fact, there is a view that the lilies sprouted from the ground where Christ's blood and tears fell during the crucifixion, as well as in the Garden of Gethsemane after his betrayal. Not surprisingly, the Easter lilies have become a symbol of Christ. Not only do they embody purity — the trumpet-shaped blooms recall the horns that heralded the resurrection of Christ.



#### **CATHEDRAL WORSHIP**

The Second Sunday of Easter, April 16, 2023

**7:00 A.M.** ~ Holy Eucharist President and Preacher:

The Rev'd Stephanie-Ann Wedderburn

**9:00 A.M.** ~ Sung Eucharist President and Preacher:

#### The Rev'd Canon George Knight

9:30 A.M. ~ Sunday School



Wednesday, April 19, 2023

10:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

#### The Third Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2023

7:00 A.M. ~ Holy Eucharist

9:00 A.M. ~ Sung Eucharist

## (The Springer Memorial Old Scholars Association in attendance)

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School



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