# Second Sunday of Easter

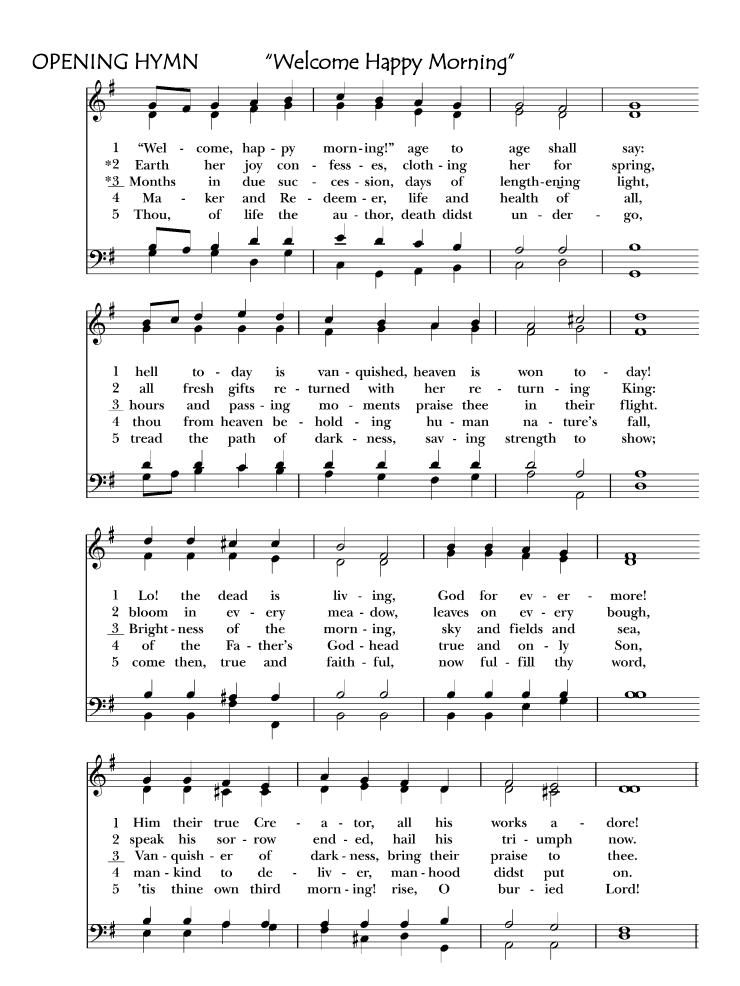
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## St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church

## WELCOME

St. Cyprian's is a welcoming, inclusive, vibrant community of faith, where every person is invited to engage in our worship, mission, and ministry, and ALL are welcomed at our Communion Table . This booklet contains all you will need for this morning's worship. Information about upcoming events, activities, and ministries are found on the last page. If you are a visitor, or new to St. Cyprian's, we would be honored to have your name and contact information to keep you informed of news of our church and ministries; the blue information brochure in each pew has a form that you may use. WELCOME!





6 Loose the souls long prisoned, bound with Satan's chain; all that now is fallen raise to life again; show thy face in brightness, bid the nations see; bring again our daylight: day returns with thee!

Refrain

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: 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.** 

#### THE FIRST READING:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

<sup>14a</sup>Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd], <sup>22</sup>"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—<sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>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; <sup>26</sup>therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. <sup>27</sup>For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. <sup>28</sup>You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' <sup>29</sup>"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. <sup>30</sup>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. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' <sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Amen. Amen.

<sup>1</sup>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."

<sup>2</sup>All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*

upon those who are noble among the people.

<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods \*

shall have their troubles multiplied.

<sup>4</sup>Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*

nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

<sup>5</sup>O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \*

it is you who uphold my lot.

<sup>6</sup>My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*

indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \*

my heart teaches me night after night.

<sup>8</sup>I have set the LORD always before me; \*

because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*

my body also shall rest in hope.

<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*

nor let your holy one see the Pit.

<sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life; \*

in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

#### THE SECOND READING:

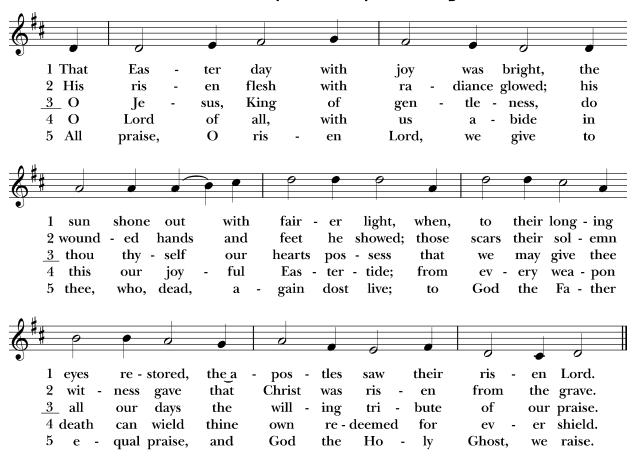
1 Peter 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>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, <sup>4</sup>and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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, <sup>9</sup>for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Amen. Amen.

## GRADUAL HYMN "That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright"



THE GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

<sup>19</sup>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." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>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."

<sup>26</sup>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." <sup>27</sup>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." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>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."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>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 our Lord.

People: Amen. Amen.

#### THE SERMON

#### PASTOR DEENA GALANTOWICZ

#### A DECLARATION OF FAITH

I believe in the one true God, the Creator of humanity, who creates and sustains the universe in wisdom and power, who calls us into being and into relationship with God by grace, whose nature is love.

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who lived that we might see God, who died that we might be reconciled to God, who rose again that we might experience the life of God, who freely accepts and welcomes all who come to him, not on the basis of merit, but on the basis of unconditional love.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
who is God present with us now,
who shows us our need for God,
who assures us of God's love in all circumstances,
who lives the life and love of Jesus Christ through us.

Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Blessed are you eternal God.

People: To be praised and glorified for ever.

Leader: Source of all love, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.

People: May we all be one that the world may believe.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

People: That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Leader: Strengthen all who minister in the name of Christ.

People: Give us courage to proclaim your gospel.

Leader: Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.

People: Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

Leader: Make us alive to the needs of our community.

People: Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

Leader: Look with kindness on our homes and families.

People: Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble.

People: In your presence may they find strength.

Leader: We remember those who have died.

People: Father, into your hands we commend them.

Leader: Remembering blessed Cyprian we praise you for all your saints

who have entered your eternal glory.

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

Leader: We pray for our own needs and blessings ...

(Particular intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader: Lord you have called us to serve you.

People: Grant that we may walk in your presence:

Your love in our hearts, Your truth in our minds, Your strength in our wills,

Until, at the end of our journey,

We may know the joy of our homecoming

And the welcome of your embrace, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN "Come ye faithful, raise the strain"



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

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, hosanna in the highest.

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Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant, poured out for you and for all. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Priest and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Saint Cyprian and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Priest and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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

Priest: Alleluia. We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Feed on them in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

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.

## BLESSING

Live without fear. Your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you with a power and a presence that is stronger than death.

May God's blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, and the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

Amen.



## DISMISSAL

Priest: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

## About Our Worship Booklet

The worship in this booklet follows the form of **Holy Eucharist: Rite II** in the **Book of Common Prayer**. The **Declaration of Faith** is borrowed from the Moravian Book of Worship. (The Moravian Church and the Episcopal Church are in full communion with each other.) The **Eucharistic Prayer** is from **Enriching Our Worship**, a resource for the Episcopal Church's liturgy. The readings from Holy Scripture are from **Lectionary Year A** using the **New Revised Standard Version** of the Bible.

## Prayer List

We pray for those known to the people of St. Cyprian's who are ill or who have asked for our prayers: Linda Larrimore, Linda Kish, Jonathan Brunjes, Russell Semrow, David Michalegko, Jon Wiles, Beth, Tom Lutton, Sally Ann Freeman, Charles Schwab, Jim Colee, Rosemary Westpheling and Bill Wall

We pray also for Merrill Goldman, Ginger Ackerman, West Smith, Kris Phillips, Dennis Ormett, Nancy Skadden, Lorelai, Ted D., Tracy Hastings, The Trinka Family, Allison Paisley, Brandon Moss, Lynn & Greg Warren, Gay Guthery, Carrie C., Krista Marinaro, Susie & Jeff, Catherine Martin, Jamie Jones, Mariah Raulerson & Family, Ed Turak, Liza Aston, Jonathan Bruce, John Cassidy, Wayne, Amanda Pasnik, Patricia Mitchell, Peter Ripley, Nury C., Sharon & Dwayne Andrews, Michael Stiffler, Doloris Alston, Bill & Mary Jo Dudley.

<u>About the Prayer List</u> – If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List please use the form you'll find on the table near the door. And, please let us know when to take someone's name off our Prayer List.

## **Announcements**

The Church is Open Daily for Prayer

Please be Mindful of Social Distancing

## Dining With Dignity

Our next Dining With Dignity is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5 – Cinco de Mayo. Please watch the announcements in the Voice as we make our plans during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis.

## Ecumenical Food Pantry

Although the Ecumenical Food Pantry is only open two days a week during this Covid-19 coronavirus crisis, the need for food is extremely high. If you want to food contributions for the Ecumenical Food Pantry the church is open for prayer daily from 9am until 4:30pm, and the food basket is just inside the door. If you would like to make a monetary contribution (each \$1 buys 5lbs. of food), please mail the check to the church and put Food Pantry in the memo line.