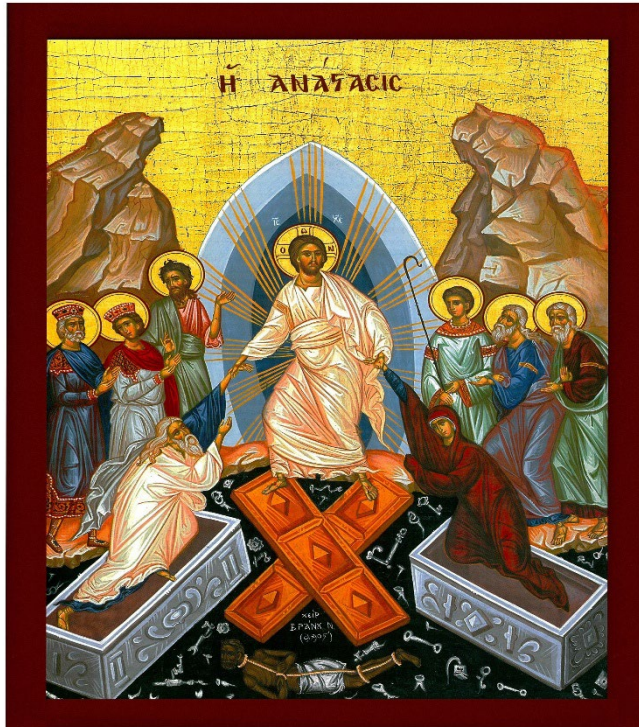


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Sunday, April 12, 2026  
Second Sunday of Easter  
The Holy Eucharist Rite II  
10:00 AM

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*Whoever and wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, you are welcome here.*

We invite you to join us for the Word and Sacraments, which are God's gifts. It does not matter who you are, what you look like, what you have done in the past, or who you love. God's grace is not petty nor earned. It is radical, transformative, and universal. As such, we seek to mirror God's healing love by making this a safe place for skeptics, seekers, those whom the church has wounded, those who have never darkened its doors, those who have wandered away, new believers, and those who never left.

As a diverse community in God, we have discovered a unity more significant than our differences. We have come to know that our variety reflects God's divine completeness. Engaging God is a lifelong process. Wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, God invites you to keep traveling. The Spirit of God drew you here in some subtle or profound way. Our hearts are open to God and to you.



Prelude

Deb Harstine

Welcome

Carol Turner

Call to Prayer

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*All stand as able.*

Let us pray.

\* Holy One beyond all names, Eternal Wellspring; May love rise again in us today, with food for every table, shelter for every family, and reverence for every life. Forgive us our failings in love, and free us from all falseness that the light of our souls may shine and the strength of our spirits endure for earth and all its people this day, tonight, and forever. *Amen*

Processional

“Welcome, Happy Morning!”

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Opening Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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*

## 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 of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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*

*All be seated*

## We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

## The Lessons

## First Reading

Acts 5:27-32

### A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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 God has given to those who obey him.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## The Psalm

Psalm 16

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.”

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.

Their libations of blood I will not offer, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.

I have set the LORD always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \* my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave, \* nor let your holy one see the Pit.

You will show me the path of life; \* in your presence, there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

## Epistle Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

### A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand as able*

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## The Gospel

John 20:19-31

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

**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 in 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 said this, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; 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 told 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 you may have life in his name through believing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Instrumental Music

Deb Harstine

*All be seated*

The Sermon

The Reverend Les Jackson

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

*Kneeling or Standing as able*

Lord God, we are your people, and we confess our need for you in our lives, here and now, in our prayers as we say

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those gathered here and all those who follow you and serve the world in your name. May they be strengthened, energized, and comforted by the knowledge of your constant love.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who serve and govern in this nation. May they act wisely with compassion, mercy, and selfless concern for all people.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world, for the sustenance and viability of the earth and its creatures and resources, for the eradication of disease, for the health and livelihood of all people, for those who suffer persecution, homelessness, starvation, imprisonment, and oppression; So that they all may be made new.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our neighbors, that we might live in peace and safety, and that all might have everything they need to live full and abundant lives.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the suffering and those in trouble, for those who are anxious and frightened, for those who must face danger as a part of their work in the world. We pray for those in hospitals, and for those who care for them in their illness.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the dead and for those who are dying that the love of God might be a strong comfort as they depart this world and for that same comfort to sustain those who mourn.

**Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Pray for St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Blue Rapids, the Reverend Greg Doll, and their lay leadership.

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Right Reverend and Honorable Dame Sarah Mullaly, our Presiding Bishop, Sean Rowe, Father Les, all bishops and ministers, and all God's holy people.

Pray for South-Central Kansas Minster, the Reverend Kitty Shield, Minster Shepherd, St. Jude, Wellington; St. Andrew's Derby; Trinity, Ark City; Epiphany, Sedan; Grace, Winfield; and their clergy and people.

Pray for the search process and election of the next Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas.

We give thanks for the opportunity to gather as a community of skeptics, seekers, and believers and to support the Family Life Center Safehouse, RISE Meals for the Homeless, Priscilla's Pet Pantry, and all outreach ministries of Trinity through our outreach efforts.

## The Concluding Collect

You are our strength, Lord God, and we gladly lean on you in times of trouble. Take these burdens now and offer us your grace and remind us of your promise that you are always with us. In Jesus' name. *Amen*

## Congregational Anointing

If we allow Christ to use our hearts to love our brothers and sisters, we will soon find that Christ, loving in us and through us, has brought to light Christ in my brothers and sisters. And we will find that the love of Christ in our brothers and sisters loving us in return has brought forth the image and reality of Christ in our own souls.

For this reason, I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. *II Timothy*

Let us pray.

Merciful God, pour your love into our hearts and make them one with the heart of Christ. May Christ's compassion find a home in us and, through us, bring hope and healing to others. ***Amen***

### The Anointing

Remember that you are loved, and to love you shall return.

### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

### Announcements

### Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

*Birthdays this week: Henry Schaeffner, Channing Rogers, Fr. Les Jackson*

### Offertory Sentence

Rejoice and be witnesses of the good news! The Lord is risen! And salvation is ours by grace through faith.

Instrumental Music

Deb Harstine

The Doxology

“Praise to God”

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through the risen Jesus Christ, you breathe the Holy Spirit of everlasting life on us. In him, you give us faith to believe in things we cannot yet see or understand; in him, you give us strength and fellowship through the mysteries of Holy Communion.

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:

**Sanctus**

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

*The people stand or kneel as able.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever. *Amen* +++

## The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, forever and ever. Amen**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## The Invitation

This is the banquet of the Lamb. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed.

Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

Hymn

"Now the Green Blade Riseth"

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## The Post-Communion Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*

## \*A Franciscan Benediction

May God bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships so we may live deep within your heart.

May God bless us with anger at injustice, oppression, and exploitation of people so that we may work for justice, freedom, and peace.

May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger, and war so that we may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

May God bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in the world and do what others claim cannot be done to bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor.

## The Blessing

The God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight. The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

## The Dismissal

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Postlude

Deb Harstine

## Ministers This Service

The Rev. Les Jackson

Carol Turner, *Lector*

Annette Gurney, *Acolyte & Counter*

Tomi Jensen, *Usher*

Deb Harstine, *Organist*

Cherilyn Chiaro, *Flautist*

Glenda Giro & Channing Rogers, *Altar Guild*

Shawna Hein, *Hospitality*

Micah Miller, Joshua & Jacob Dennison, *Videographers*

*Please join us for coffee following the service.*

\*A Franciscan Benediction

Sister Ruth Fox, Order of Saint Benedict (OSB)

Sacred Heart Monastery, North Dakota

\*Celtic Version of The Lord's Prayer

John Philip Newell