



Second Sunday of Easter, April 19, 2020

Opening Music: Cara Halpin

Gathering of the Community & Welcome: Cheryl Palmer

Collect of the Day:

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Together, let us pray.

**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. Amen.**

Reading: Cathy Gibbs

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

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

All: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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 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.
(John 20:19-31)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: Molly Finlay

Music: That Easter Day with Joy was Bright

**That Eastertide with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light,
alleluia, alleluia!
when, to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**He bade them see his hands, his side,
where yet the glorious wounds abide;
alleluia, alleluia!
the tokens true which made it plain
their Lord indeed was risen again.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**From every weapon death can wield
thine own redeemed forever shield:
alleluia, alleluia!
O Lord of all, with us abide
in this our joyful Eastertide.
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

The Blessing

Postlude Music